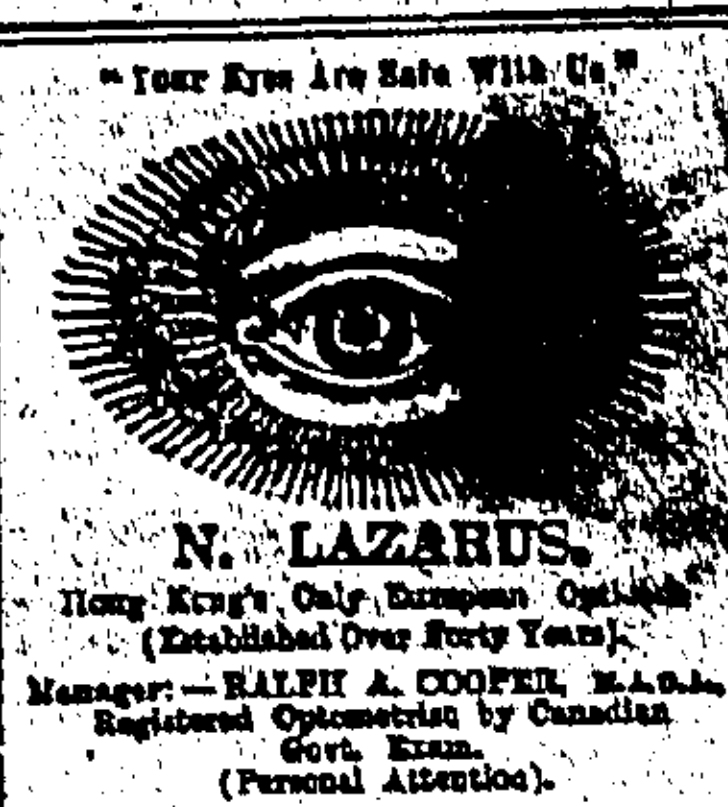


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Kowloon	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.10	10.00	10.30	11.15	12.35	1.00	1.30	2.00	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00	4.30	5.00	5.30	6.00	6.30	7.00	7.30
Yuennei	6.45	8.10	8.35	9.15	10.05	10.35	11.20	12.40	1.05	1.35	2.05	2.35	3.05	3.35	4.05	4.35	5.05	5.35	6.05	6.35	7.05	7.35
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Taipei	6.55	8.20	8.45	9.25	10.15	10.45	11.30	12.50	1.15	1.45	2.15	2.45	3.15	3.45	4.15	4.45	5.15	5.45	6.15	6.45	7.15	7.45
Taipei Market	7.00	8.25	8.50	9.30	10.20	10.50	11.35	12.55	1.20	1.50	2.20	2.50	3.20	3.50	4.20	4.50	5.20	5.50	6.20	6.50	7.20	7.50
Fanning	7.05	8.30	8.55	9.35	10.25	10.55	11.40	13.00	1.25	1.55	2.25	2.55	3.25	3.55	4.25	4.55	5.25	5.55	6.25	6.55	7.25	7.55
Shamshui	7.10	8.35	9.00	9.40	10.30	11.00	11.45	13.05	1.30	2.00	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00	4.30	5.00	5.30	6.00	6.30	7.00	7.30	8.00
Shamshui	7.15	8.40	9.05	9.45	10.35	11.05	11.50	13.10	1.35	2.05	2.35	3.05	3.35	4.05	4.35	5.05	5.35	6.05	6.35	7.05	7.35	8.05
Canton	7.20	8.45	9.10	9.50	10.40	11.10	11.55	13.15	1.40	2.10	2.40	3.10	3.40	4.10	4.40	5.10	5.40	6.10	6.40	7.10	7.40	8.10

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Fanning	7.35	9.00	9.25	10.05	10.55	11.25	12.10	13.30	1.55	2.25	2.55	3.25	3.55	4.25	4.55	5.25	5.55	6.25	6.55	7.25	7.55	8.25
Taipei	7.40	9.05	9.30	10.10	11.00	11.30	12.15	13.35	2.00	2.30	3.00	3.30	4.00	4.30	5.00	5.30	6.00	6.30	7.00	7.30	8.00	8.30
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The rapturous, wild, and ineffable
pleasure
Of drinking at somebody else's ex-
pense.

— Leigh's stanzas to an intoxicated
fly.

London, March 10th.

It was a fly burglar that drank
at the expense of the landlord of
the Clarence. A cat burglar needs
something to get his claws into.

The fly simply walked up a bare
pipe at the back of Aldersgate-
street, and walked into the parlour
of the old Clarence. There was no
spider in the parlour. But the
C.I.D. is doing its best to spin a
web to-day.

When the fly-burglar and his
mates—helped up by a rope the fly
had dropped them—finally left the
Clarence's cellar, they must already
have repeated their rapturous,
wild, and ineffable pleasure.

But while the fun lasted it was
good. The safe had been broken
open. The ugly gash in its side
offended the aesthetic revellers. So
they draped a large Union Jack
over the wound in order to break
the news gently when the manager
arrived to-day.

The Fastidious Cellars.

The manager was crawling
through a sea of broken bottles
when he found the flag draped over
the empty coffin that had held his
£130.

When the thieves found the cash
register was empty, they showed
they bore no ill-will by unrolling
the yards of white paper tape from
the registering machine, and drap-
ing it in gay festoons all round the
cellars. Since the spider was ab-
sent, they would make him a paper
web in derision.

But the subsequent meal led to
disaster. Four bottles of Bollinger
'19 warmed the visitants in the
chilly night, after, of course, the
orthodox cocktails had been taken
by way of appetizer.

Then their discretions left them.
They mixed! They broke a bottle
of Montrachet. It did not suit the
palate of Fagin's Kitchen.

They turned to cherry brandy—
guzzled out of the bottle, to a run-
ning accompaniment of Coronas. It
was at this point, as geological ex-
ploration proved to-day, that a veil
descended over the minds of the
tipplers.

Their Little Slip.

Just before dawn, a detective ex-
plained to mincefoot of the Clare-
nce, sadder and shaken men stag-
gered out of the cellar, went to the
window from which hung their rope,
stepped over the sill—and promptly
fell twelve feet on to the hard
cobble of the stable yard.

The bottles in their pockets broke.
Wine-pools, simulating bloodstains,
drove the revellers away from the
scene of their crime with £130 in
their pockets as a solatium.

Bogus Electricians.

Scotland Yard officers are search-
ing to-day for two men who went to
a house in Elm-avenue, Ealing, last
night, and, having gained admission
by stating that they were electricians
who had come to examine the
wires and points, stole jewellery
valued at £30.

The police have received infor-
mation of similar thefts in different
London suburbs. One man is de-
scribed at about 30, 5ft. 6in. in
height, pale complexion, hair dark
build medium, clean-shaven, and
dressed in a dark grey suit and grey
cap. The other man is about 10, 5ft.
6in. medium build, pale complexion,
is clean-shaven, and wears a dark
grey suit.

PERIL OF A SLIM FIGURE.

NEW YORK.

The craze for obtaining a boyish
figure through unwholesome dieting
and actual starvation, states Miss
Mary McCormick, Superintendent
of Nutrition of the State Depart-
ment of Education, causes more
cases of tuberculosis among women
between the ages of sixteen and
thirty-two than any other factor.

POLICE IN THE WITNESS- BOX.

THE EVIDENCE CRITICISED.

SALVATIONIST ON PROBLEM
OF THE STREETS.

Evidence on the value of police
evidence was given by Mr. A. H.
Lick, chief clerk of Marlborough-
street Police Court, before the
Street Offences Committee, sitting
at Burlington-gardens, W.

Mr. Lick said the esprit de
corps of the force was a drawback
to the police officer in the witness-
box. It allowed undue support be-
ing given by one police officer to
another.

There was a lurking danger that
cases different in small but impor-
tant details would be treated as
members of a class of cases.

Human Weakness.

Two other statements by Mr.
Lick were:

I have never come across an
instance of a police charge shown
to have been made in bad faith.
Police officers fail to grasp the
propriety of letting off a guilty
man against whom the evidence
is weak. Human testimony, in
general, has the defect of the
substitution of inference for
observation.

It is childish to say a man
"showed annoyance" by the ex-
pression on his face. There are
many people who never look any-
thing else but grumpy.

Mr. Lick added that the language
used by the police in giving
evidence was perfectly absurd.

What About Eve?

Mrs. Bramwell Booth, of the
Salvation Army, suggested that the
age of consent should be raised.

She did not think money was a
determining factor in inducing
women to go on the streets.

Mr. MacMillan: What then is it?
A life of pleasure, a desire to have
a jolly time, to dress well, have
the finery of other girls, or what?

Mrs. Booth: Very often it is be-
cause the girl has gone wrong.

Sir Charles Biron (the Bow-
street magistrate): What about
Eve?

Mr. MacMillan: She does not en-
ter into the inquiry.

Sir Charles (to Mrs. Booth):
What about Eve and Adam?

Mr. H. W. Wilberforce (de-
puty-chairman of the London
Session): That story is not his-
torically true.

Sir Charles: Well, what about
Mrs. Potiphar? (Laughter.)

ONCE RICH, MAN SENT TO PRISON.

CARPENTER'S "£150,000 AND
A PARK."

Arthur Casson, aged fifty-nine, a
carpenter, who is alleged to have
posed as a cousin of Lord Carson,
was sentenced at Manchester Assizes
to four years' penal servitude on
charges of obtaining money by
false pretences, fraudulent con-
version, and offences under the
Bankruptcy Act.

Edith Casson, alias Casson, was
bound over for passport offences
but was found not guilty of
conspiracy and of obtaining money
by false pretences.

Casson, who conducted his own
defence, is a stout man, reputed to
weigh 19 stone. He wore a mono-
cle, and was alleged to have re-
presented that he was the owner of
Thurston Hall, Cheshire, and that
a company was to be formed to
run it as a convalescent home.

Accused Complains.

Casson, addressing the jury as
his own behalf, complained he had
been kept in prison for two months,
and through lack of funds was
unable to obtain legal aid. He
had asked for the case to be taken
to London, where he could produce
witnesses and find people to defend
him. He denied that he ever posed
as the cousin of Lord Carson.

"I have had a country seat in
Norfolk," he went on, "with a
park of thirty odd acres." He was
worth £150,000 seven years ago, but
lost most of his fortune in a multi-
ple chemists' shop venture. He
maintained he was not bankrupt.
He had changed his name to Casson
because his real name was so well
known, owing to the publicity he
had received.

DIARY OF EVENTS.

To-day.

Property Sale Lammerts Auction
rooms, 11 a.m.

Hong Kong Telephone Co., 3rd
Ordinary Yearly Meeting, noon.

Japanese Warships Nagato and
Mutsu open to British visitors.

Fanning Hunt: Meet at Hunters
area, 2.45 p.m.

Football: Portuguese Interport:
Portuguese v. Chinese Athletic
Association, H.K.F.C. ground, 3
p.m.

Club de Recreo Dinner, 8 p.m.

Dancing Display by pupils of
Miss Daisy O'Keefe at Queen's
Theatre, 5 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Silk Stock-
ings."

World Theatre: "The Street of
Forgotten Men."

Star Theatre: "Tongues of
Flame."

Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and
Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King
Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane,
Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30
p.m.

St. Peter's Young Men's dance
Hotel Savoy, 8.45 p.m.

Thursday.

Hong Kong & Shanghai Hotel's,
Ltd., Ordinary Yearly Meeting Ex-
change Building, noon.

Grande, Price & Co., Ltd., Annual
Meeting, noon.

Football: Portuguese Interport:
Combined teams v. Rest of Colony,
H.K.F.C. ground, 5 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Eagle of
the Sea."

World Theatre: "Robin Hood."

Star Theatre: "Shipwrecked."

Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and
Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King
Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane,
Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30
p.m.

Principal Mails: Inward:
Europe via Suez (Kaiser);
Europe via Siberia (Lima Maru).

Saturday.

Cricket: University 2nd XI. v.
H.K. Electric C.C. at Sheung
Shui, 2.45.

Fanning Hunt: Meet at Sheung
Shui, 2.45.

Hong Kong Engineering and
Construction Co., 8th Ordinary
Yearly Meeting, 11 a.m.

Hong Kong and Kowloon Tax-
i-cab Co., Final General Meeting,
noon.

Princes Building and Land Co.,
General Meeting, noon.

Diocean Boy's School "at Home"
3.30.

Queen's College Old Boy's Asso-
ciation 8th Annual Dinner, 8 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Eagle of
the Sea."

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Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King
Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane,
Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30
p.m.

Principal Mails: Outward:
Europe via Marseilles (Mongolia),
10.30 a.m.

Sunday.

Fanning Hunt: Point to Point,
11.30.

7th Extra Race Meeting, Macao.
Ten Dances: H.K. Hotel and
Hotel Savoy, 4.30 p.m.; King
Edward Hotel, 5 p.m.; Lane,
Crawford's Restaurant, 4.30-6.30
p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "The Lady of
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World Theatre: "The Runaway."

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HANKOW RATE PAYERS' MEETING.

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IN BUDGET.

HANKOW, March 30th.
The ratepayers of Special Administrative District No. 3 at Hankow—the ex-British Concession—have just had a unique experience. The regular attendant came along in the usual way, chatting to a friend, ready to greet the Police Superintendent with a nod said: "Put me down as present, old man," and then to go on chatting till the Consul-General suggested that, "as there is now a quorum present," and so on. But lo! the portals were guarded by men with fixed bayonets, the police officials carried revolvers, one official with a badge asked the voter to sign his name at one table and then he was sent to another table to gather a handful of ballot-papers. The hall was swarming with members of the staff, the Director was wearing the uniform which is provided for in the Budget, and various big-wigs who do not seem to have anything to do with S.A.D. No. 3 were escorted to the platform. Behind the table, on the platform—it used to stand in a homely way on the same level as the voters—hung two Nationalist flags, with Dr. Sun's portrait in between. The opportunity to indicate Sino-British co-operation by putting up a British flag was not taken, the portrait probably presenting an insuperable obstacle.

The proceedings began with the announcement that an ample quorum was present, followed by the translation of this statement into Chinese. It was difficult to locate any Chinese ratepayers who did not know English, but evidently the proceedings had to be bilingual, in order to meet some article in the agreement. Since the balance sheet and the budget, with the important notes by the auditors and the Director, were issued in English only, all this translation of the proceedings seemed unreal and even childish.

Dr. Sun's Will Read.
If ever ratepayers were completely non-plussed, the Hankow ones were when the Director, for some reason which most of those present could not hear, asked them to rise. Bank managers and taipans and missionaries stood and listened to the reading of Dr. Sun's will! As the reading was in Chinese, it would not do them much harm, but the general feeling was that it was quite unnecessary for this reading to take place at a meeting which is not connected with the party and is non-political in purpose.

Next came a few formal notices and then—the end! The Director and Council accepted the resolution that the meeting be adjourned to allow of time to study the belated accounts and budget, and the ratepayers, with one bold exception, agreed. The meeting stands adjourned till Thursday, April 5th, at 2 p.m. The hour was fixed thus early as the Director assured the ratepayers that the reading of the report might take an hour, and the translation would take as long.

The budget provides for "tea, cigarettes and cakes" for the Administration Department, and it is to be hoped that they will be served to the ratepayers who do not know Chinese while that translation is going on, or else some of them will slip away to the club in search of a nerve tonic.—N.C. Daily News.

WHAT NO BOLSHIE CAN RESIST.

LURE OF THE CINEMA.

HOW TO SPOT A RED.

PEKING, March 30th.
Since the Soviet Government, as represented in China, devoted itself wholeheartedly a few years ago to making life miserable for other aliens in the land and decidedly strenuous for the natives, there have been in every community a number of persons devoted to spotting Reds, studying their habits and movements and doing what the lethargy of Governments would permit to check them, writes Mr. Rodney Gilbert in the N.C. Daily News. By one of these persons here the writer was recently informed that the number of agents of various departments of the U.S.S.R. and of various nationalities in Peking had increased noticeably. This was accepted as *ex cathedra*, but the writer was curious to know how he went about getting such information and confirming it. The sagacious one smiled indulgently for a moment and then said with the simplicity of a true oracle: "One goes to the cinema."

Now it would appear to have been discovered that the genuine Bolshevik, of whatever breed or standing, can no more resist the lure of the "movies" than the wild denizens of forest and jungle can resist the call of the salt lick. *Cherchez la femme* is by no means an outworn formula, of course, but the application of it in many cases takes the diligent inquiries into expensive and even dangerous environments, while an assiduous devotion to the cinema is comparatively cheap, safe, innocent and inconspicuous—and the results are said to be certain. It is one looking for new Bolsheviks, therefore, one simply goes nightly to the various cinema houses and studies new faces for likely types. There is no great variety, for they are pretty well limited to the professional type, the type of the southern European barber or sleek pawnbroker's assistant, the flashy, overdressed, hard young criminal type, and the woolly moujik type. Very often the matter is made easy because the newcomers are seen in company with older residents who have already been recognized and are under surveillance; for the Reds consort with one another in public much more freely than might be supposed, being supremely contemptuous, with some reason, of the intelligence of their adversaries. A lone suspect, who haunts the movies with true Bolshevik devotion, is of course shadowed and his secret affiliations with other "workers" or his innocence, revealed. After that the business of identifying him and learning the character of his mission is routine work and can be safely left to the reader's imagination.

SWISS SCENERY IN AFRICA.

SIR A. COBHAM'S FLIGHT.

BEIRA (Portuguese East Africa).
After successful negotiations with the Government authorities in Nyasaland we flew away from Fort Johnson, at the south of Nyasa Lake, and climbed over the beautiful Zomba mountain amid glorious scenery like a tropical Switzerland, writes Sir Alan Cobham to the Daily Mail describing his adventures on his African flight.

We flew south to the Zambezi River in the plains, where we dodged between tropical storms to the coast. On the way we passed over vast uninhabited areas, where great herds of elephant roamed unmolested.

After landing in the harbour at Beira (450 miles) we anchored off the Pungwe River, and three of the crew—Green, Conway, and Bonnett—slept on board the Short-Rolls Royce flying boat to be on guard against emergency.

During the night a terrible thunderstorm raged, and the deluge continued for seven or eight hours, during which 15 inches of rain fell, but the crew remained snug in the hull while our all-metal flying boat rode at anchor.

To-morrow the Sir Charles Wakefield flight of survey will continue to Lourenço Marques, and thence to Durban. From there we shall go northward with the authorities to confer with the Government of Southern Rhodesia at Bulawayo to try to bring about the permanent through-Africa air route which is so vital to British interests.

REVOLUTION IN X-RAY TECHNIQUE.

HUMAN TELEVISION FILM.

A NEW INVENTION.

A medical revolution will be brought about, it is claimed, by the use of a new form of X-rays which has been discovered. This permits a doctor to see, say, a patient's lungs "in the round" instead of "in the flat."

The principles of the cinematograph and of television have both been applied by the inventor, a German. Rotating discs with holes in them, as in television, are used, while a rapid succession of moving pictures, as in the cinema, is seen by the doctor's eye.

This stereoscope which peeps into the patient has been devised only after scientists have been struggling for thirty years against the limitations of the old form of X-ray, which showed merely a dark silhouette of hidden organs.

Stereoscopic View.
The importance of a stereoscopic view in examination of the lungs is stressed by Dr. F. Howard Humphreys, who is one of the principal X-ray experts in Europe, in an article in the *Lancet*, in which he announces the invention.

"Every X-ray diagnostician must have always had the feeling that there was something wanting," he writes, "and never felt satisfied with the flat shadow—especially in lung conditions, where even the best stereoscopic plates gave an unsatisfactory result. With this, the most flexible of all organs, a stereoscopic vision is important."

"When Professor Röntgen showed in 1897 his X-ray discovery, and demonstrated its value for looking within the body, it was said how wonderful it would be if the various shadows could be shown in plastic form rather than as a flat silhouette. Progress in this direction has been hampered in a number of ways."

"This necessity has urged scientists and engineers to attack the problem afresh, employing new tubes and adapting apparatus."

"Plastic" Impression.
"Such an apparatus I have recently examined in Munich. Of this invention of Mr. F. E. Bernhardt I have made a careful examination, and have seen it in good working order."

"The observer views the (X-ray) screen through a mechanical device with diaphragms rotating before the eyes in synchronism with the impulses from the X-ray tubes. The result is that one eye sees the image produced by one tube and the other the image by the other tube."

"The physiological action of the brain combines these two pictures into one plastic impression. The picture appears to be continuous, as each eye is supplied with fifty pictures per second."

"Having seen this apparatus when working, one may affirm that the solution of the problem of satisfactory stereo-fluoroscopy has been attained."

Other moving organs, such as the duodenum, Mr. Humphreys points out, may be seen to good purpose with the new device.

HOUSE OF GOLD DOOR- KNOBS SOLD.

MOST COSTLY DWELLING IN
THE WORLD.

A twelve-story apartment house on Fifth Avenue, New York, known as "the house of the gold door-knobs," has been purchased by Mr. Benjamin Winter, a millionaire, from Commodore Arthur Currier James, who paid £800,000 for the building in 1913, the year after it was completed.

Every doorknob in the building is gold-plated, and in one apartment every hinge, door handle, and key is of gold.

Splendour.
"The house with the gold door-knobs" is known all over the world because stories of the splendour and extravagance of the structure, which were so amazing at the time, have been carried to every country.

The building, strictly speaking, is a tenement. It is, at least, so classified by the city's building department.

The erection of the house was bitterly opposed by the many well-known families who had spent millions of dollars in the erection of great houses in the vicinity of the structure.

Twenty-five-room suites and 26,000 year rentals were unknown until the coming of this dwelling.

Elihu Root, dean of the American Bar, was the first to take a 25,000 suite of twenty-two rooms in the building.

There has never been a vacant apartment in the house from the day it was completed, despite the fact that until recently it was the most expensive residential structure in the world.

A WHIMSICAL, dainty farce comedy in which a pair of silk stockings cause consternation in the home of a young married couple!



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HONG KONG IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS AND FANCY
COTTON "VERY BRISK."

The current number of the fortnightly Price Current and Market Report states:—

COTTON PIECE-GOODS AND FANCY COTTON.—Since our last report our market has been very brisk, business having come to book in Shadow Stripe Poplins, Split Brocades, Limbries and Black Cambrics, at prices slightly below last season's bookings. Manchester is much stronger and is holding out for full prices; consequently enquiries are not going through as they did a few days ago.

Deliveries are still maintained but profits have not become larger. The latest quotations are those of the 29th inst. Eg. Sakel. 20.35d. Mid. Amer. "Spot" 10.94d.

Large business has been done in Shadow Stripe Poplins and some fair orders are reported in mercerized Brocades, but apart from these articles there does not appear to be much demand. There is practically no enquiry for White Shirtings, which is disappointing at this time of the year.

Market prices for Limbries are reported to be good, but Brocade values are unsatisfactory. Clearances are fairly satisfactory, but demand from Canton for Spring goods is very limited.

Another report states:—

COTTON YARN.—Our market has ruled quiet during the interval, no sales having been reported. Prices, however, continue steady. Nominal quotations are as follows: No. 10s. \$170/185; No. 12s. \$175/185; No. 16s. \$185/190; No. 20s. \$195/200. Arrivals: Nil. Shipments: Nil. Sales: Nil. Unsold stock: 3,900 bales. Bargains: 7,800 bales.

WOOLLENS.—Business in woollen has dropped to a minimum, with the approach of Summer. Only very small sales are reported. Market dull. There are good inquiries at present and a good deal of business has been done, but mostly at rates which are considered to leave only small margins.

Raw Cottons.—Nothing doing. FLOUR MARKET REPORT.—Stock: American, 450,000 bags; Canadian, 120,000 bags; Australian, 40,000 bags; total, 610,000 bags.

Market.—Quotations: American Patent, \$4.30-4.35 per sack; American Straight, \$3.15-3.40 per sack; American Off, \$3.25-3.50 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.30-3.45 per sack; Canadian Off, \$3.10-3.20 per sack; Canadian Straight, \$3.05-3.15 per sack; Canadian Mix, \$2.95 per sack; Canadian 2nd Clear, \$2.90 per sack.

WINDUP GLASS.—There is very little doing.

SUGAR.—Market steady. SALT.—Stock: 14,000 bags. Dull market and nothing important to report.

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LETTERS ON LEAVE.

"THE CITY THAT JUST MISSED THE 'BUS'."

[AT SINGAPORE.]

I am not coming back to Hong Kong any more. I am going to remove all my clothes, and climb a tree in the Botanical Gardens at Singapore and exist simply but beautifully with the monkeys. It is a lovely spot. There is, as a matter of fact, something extraordinarily pleasing about Singapore. The whole place, barring of course the business centre round Raffles Square, looks as if it was built in a park. The effect is the more easily produced as turf seems to do wonderfully all over the place. The long lawn-like expanses among the wealth of tropical vegetation are as soothing as they are delightful to the eye which has been sated with the more austere beauties of Hong Kong. Singapore, before 7 a.m. and after 5 p.m. is a delightful place.

But there one rather comes to the end of the advantages, speaking of course from a purely superficial view. To one who is used to the extreme lack of space for building due to the Hong Kong topography, the Singapore builders seem to have rioted over a couple of counties. That does not matter so much for they appear to have all the room they require. But I venture to think that there are two snags in it. The broad unoccupied spaces of jungle hillocks or swampy hollows must be a magnificent stronghold for the mosquitoes. And though the authorities are working desperately on the malaria question, they have a tremendous task before them, which would have been much easier, and cheaper, had the expansion of the town been more regular. And that brings us to the second snag. I cannot believe that a town-planning committee has laid out the whole place. If they have, it is pretty clear either that the plan has not been conformed with, or else they started too late. They have an expert now, I believe, but as he lives in Kuala Lumpur I find the men I asked all a bit pessimistic as to his real use to the Crown Colony.

In fact Singapore is just like a town which has been nicely designed on a board. And then, someone cut up the board into a jig-saw puzzle and dropped the bits casually over the landscape. And they built it as it fell! It may be said it doesn't matter much, owing to the wealth of open ground at disposal. But it must lead—and has led—to a most awkward arrangement of roads and a profusion of difficult "Circi," where about five big arteries of traffic converge at casual angles. Once again the authorities seem to have awoken to a tremendous speed, and as a rule very badly. The day before we arrived a European was charged with "causing death by a rash act" and the Coroner's jury found against him. Nevertheless the very next day a bad collision occurred in which a woman was killed and a European has been detained on a similar charge.

The form of this charge is rather interesting. They don't have manslaughter as I believe the legislation is based on the Indian Penal Code. Anyway it seems that evidence which would procure a conviction in Singapore for "causing death by a rash act," would procure a verdict of manslaughter in Hong Kong. But they have also the variant of "causing grievous bodily harm by a rash act," which seems useful, and I imagine must save a certain amount of civil

actions. I did not see any European police patrol—traffic sergeants on motor-cycle combinations I mean—but they may exist. If they do, they are not as good at their job as our men are, or people wouldn't hog habitually.

Another point that strikes one is the enormous number of cars, and the great volume of motor-traffic. This is a natural result of the (comparatively) great distances to be covered. Lots of the bungalows are five miles out. You can imagine how traffic would increase if you had five hundred people living at Shek-O. The public vehicles are many, and the railless trams are I should imagine a great success. But I don't like their swarms of wasp-like buses, much smaller than the original Kowloon buses, which simply buzz round the place. They go too fast. And there are too many—

"Implet omne forum
Copia Motorium Borum."

It has always been drummed into me—by writers to the press—that complete bliss is only found in cities which have Municipalities. Singapore has one. I wish the gentlemen who complain of the Wanchai smells could breathe in the perfume of the river which drifts slowly beneath a bridge two minutes from the Europe Hotel. At least they told me it was a river. But my nose assures me that it is really the main drain of the town.

No doubt it is my parochial pride in our own Colony that leads me to take this undoubtedly gloomy but admittedly superficial view of the place. Let me hasten to say that there are many redeeming points. Most of the bungalow residences are delightful. They manage to combine coolness and comfort of living with the quaintness of a kind of Elizabethan type of architecture, particularly pleasing to the eye when viewed among their beautiful gardens. The beautifully fine turf gives them a tremendous pull in laying out their grounds to advantage.

The people too seem most cheery and hospitable to the stranger within their gates. I am told times are very bad and that entertaining and amusements generally, save games, have been greatly reduced. But they have a delightful Cricket Club with a most wonderful wicket. The Secretary most courteously let me walk over its sacred surface, and especially the patch which had been treated with the famous Australian "hull" soil. It looks horrible, as a network of fine cracks covers the face of the pitch. But the ball never gets up above stump-high and it plays perfectly through four long innings. MacCartney said it was the equal of any wicket in Sydney—and that means in the world. And when I thought of our grass—I can't call it turf—I sobbed heavily upon the Secretary's shoulder. (He is groundsman too by the way.) However, I recovered sufficiently to advance the theory that it might not be really good for one's batting. Witness last November.

Another point that struck me was the varied nomenclature of the drinks. When they asked me the usual question, I said in my coarse and common Hong Kong way "I'll have a whiskey-soda." The next man had a "whiskey suku," the next a "stingah," and the fourth a "K.L." Yet they were not four drinks but one drink—varying only in volume and strength. Well, it tastes the same, anyway.

I hope this won't get into the Singapore papers. Nothing is more maddening than to have some damned fool spending twenty-four hours in one's city and then writing about it, unless the subject matter is entirely of an eulogistic nature. But let them be comforted. It is an excellent place and there is a lot of history making there at present. It is a great thing to be an Empire Builder. It is a greater to know how to manage two small children on a tropical voyage.

I go to bath my small son. Bless you all.

VACUUS VIATOR.

BETTER PROSPECTS IN Kiangsi.

CHINESE ANXIOUS FOR KULING TO RE-OPEN.

BANDITS THE CHIEF TROUBLE.

Kiangsi, March 30th.

The present Kiangsi Governor, Chu Pei Teh, seems a good man, but not over-strong in his control of subordinates. Still, the bigger part of this fertile and wealthy province has been enjoying peace. In the south there has been rather serious trouble with a Communist rising, but this seems now to be largely overcome. The cities of Sinfung and Yutu were both besieged for some days, but held out till soldiers arrived for their relief. Hundreds of the Communists and robbers were killed and the suffering was great. Farmers were compelled to join them and then were punished, or shot, for so doing.

Wanan and Lungchuan, north of Kanchow, suffered much, but are now relieved, the bandits having been scattered by troops. Wanan was looted and largely destroyed, the inhabitants fleeing, in many cases, to Kanchow. The mission premises in these cities, Roman Catholic and Protestant, were destroyed by fire, after being looted, and the same was done to many of the homes of the rich. The movement does not seem to have been either anti-foreign or anti-Christian, but anti-rich. Bandits have given trouble, too, right down the western border of the province, especially in Yungin and Yuanchow. In north-east Kiangsi, Iyang and the adjoining district of Huenfeng, suffered much, but have also, we hear, been relieved by troops from Nanchang.

Friendly to Foreigners.

Foreign men travel now in most parts of the provinces, and quite a number have returned to the mission stations. Passports are not issued to American or British ladies yet, though some of them are inland without passports. German, Swiss, and Finnish ladies get passports without difficulty. Travellers are seldom asked for their passports, and the people, generally, are as friendly as ever.

Kuling is slowly increasing in foreign population, and there seems good prospect of it being open, as of old, during the coming summer. The local Chinese, coolies, merchants and pedlars, all desire this. Kiangsi has had two fires, recently, on the main Chinese street, near the old Concession. Trade is improving, the railway open, and general conditions approaching normal.—N.C. Daily News.

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., will be held at Exchange Building to-morrow (Thursday) at noon.

The report of the directors to be presented states:—

The profit on working account for the year 1927 amounted to \$1,102,559.43.

The balance at credit of profit and loss account (including the sum of \$503,789.45 brought forward from the previous year), after providing for interest on loans and mortgages, depreciation, insurance, etc., amounted to \$673,310.65, which the Directors recommend be apportioned as follows:—To transfer to general reserve, \$500,000; to transfer to construction and development reserve, \$300,000; to carry forward to new account, \$73,310.65.

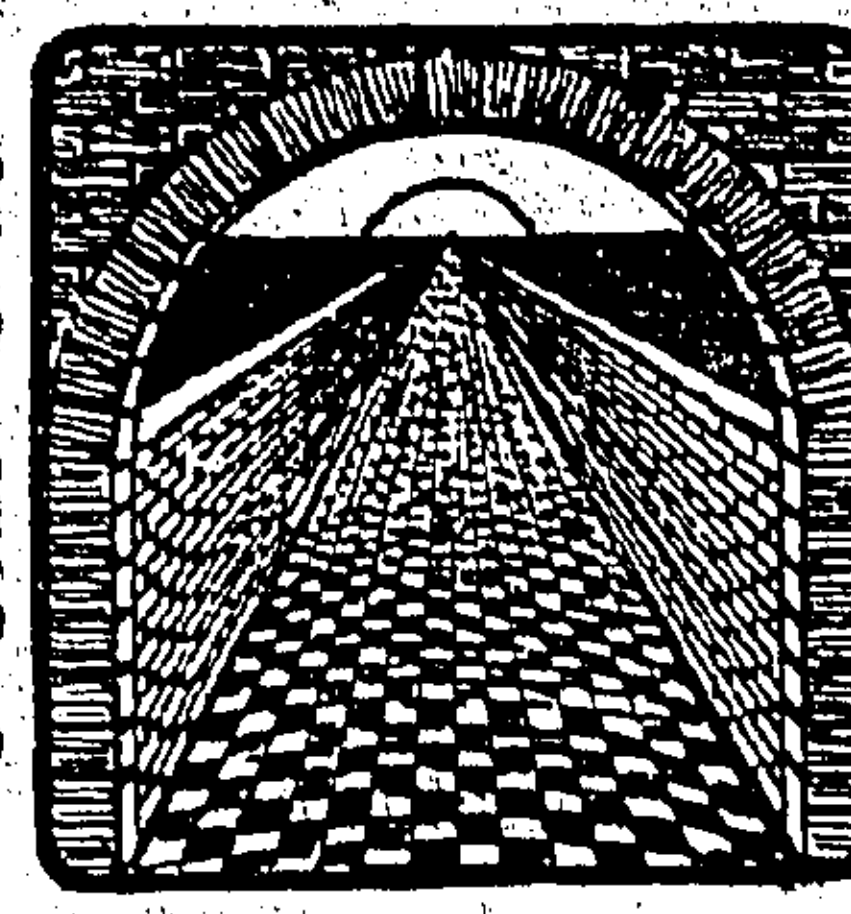
Mr. B. Lander Lewis resigned from the Board of Directors on his leaving the Colony. Sir Ely Radcliffe was subsequently appointed to a seat on the Board and his appointment requires your confirmation. Mr. J. Scott Harrison retires by rotation, but being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

The accounts for the year under review have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Smith & Fleming, who are eligible and offer themselves for re-election. The accounts of the Shanghai branch have been audited by Messrs. Thomson & Co., who do not seek re-election as auditors; they having accepted the appointment of accountants to the Company in Shanghai.

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SHANGHAI GAMBLING ROOMS.

RAIDED BY FRENCH POLICE.

SHANGHAI, April 8th.

About 60 foreigners were "among those present" when the gambling rooms situated above the Premier Cafe, 18 Avenue Edward VII, corner of Rue Monteban, were raided by a squad of eight French police detectives and 12 Chinese constables on Wednesday night shortly before 11 o'clock.

It is understood that the French police made no attempt to detain any of the foreigners, but merely told them to take themselves off elsewhere for the rest of the evening after having taken their names.

Three unregistered foreigners, a Pole, a Brazilian and a Russian, who appeared to have some connection with the management of the place were taken in charge as were the nine Chinese members of the staff.

A large sum of money was confiscated to be held pending further investigations, and two roulette tables, two for chemin de fer, one for craps and two for chuck-a-luck were taken to the French central police station.

After the visit of the police no one was allowed to enter the rooms, but an interesting aspect of the incident was that most of the usual patrons of the resort got wind of the affair and discreetly absented themselves that evening.

This is the second raid of similar kind carried out by the French police who also closed up a gambling resort in the Avenue Edward VII situated over the Palais Cafe, in November, 1925.

Those who were arrested will appear in the French Mixed Court after the police have finished with their investigations.—North China Daily News.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending March 31st states:—

Flu.—Suez: 7 cases, 3 deaths. Aden: 151 cases, 134 deaths. Bassein: 7 deaths. Bombay: 25 deaths. Rangoon: 5 deaths. Colombo: 4 cases, 2 deaths. Cherbon: 2 infected rats. Sourabaya: 1 case, 1 death. Bangkok: 1 case, 1 death. Bagdad: 2 deaths. For week ending March 24th).

Cholera.—Bassein: 25 deaths. Bombay: 1 death. Calcutta: 114 deaths. Madras: 1 death. Rangoon: 6 deaths. Saigon: 21 cases, 12 deaths. Bangkok: 16 cases, 12 deaths. Canton: 1 case, 1 death.

Small-pox.—Mombasa: 1 case. Suez: 1 case. Bombay: 62 cases, 26 deaths. Calcutta: 45 cases, 33 deaths. Coochin: 1 case. Madras: 45 cases, 6 deaths. Mouline: 4 cases. Rangoon: 32 cases. Tuticorin: 1 case, 1 death. Vazirpatam: 3 cases. Pondicherry: 5 cases, 5 deaths. Bandjermasin: 1 case, 1 death. Shanghai: 2 deaths. Canton: 2 cases. Makden: 1 case. Shimonoseki: 1 case.

"ONLY AN ALTERCATION."

PICKPOCKET'S UNAVAILING EXCUSE.

A Chinese pickpocket caught red-handed in the act of lifting a purse, snarled turned round to his accuser and said that whatever little "bit" they might have had could easily be settled at the Police Station, and that it was too ridiculous to create a scene in the public streets.

It appeared that a "monkey vaudeville" was going on at the Chinese Recreation Ground. The victim was deeply interested in watching the performing creatures, when he felt a tug at his pocket. He seized hold of an erring hand and found that his purse was already half way out of his pocket. He accused the man whose hand he had seized of larceny, but the plausible rascal told the gazing public that they were only settling an ancient grudge they had against each other, and that the matter could be fixed up at the Police Station.

He insisted on dragging his accuser to the station, but on the way they met a district watchman, and when the story was told, the watchman placed the accused under arrest.

The matter was thrashed out at the Central Magistracy yesterday morning, and Major C. Willson, found that the evidence was obviously sufficient to convict the accused. He passed sentence of six weeks' hard labour.

"PRESIDENT MADISON" PASSENGERS.

The American Mail Liner *President Madison* left Hong Kong yesterday at noon with a capacity booking of both first class and steerage passengers. There were over 130 first class and 600 steerage passengers on board, of which 58 and 142 respectively were from Hong Kong.

Among the passengers were:—Mr. G. L. Dairns, who is connected with the Standard Oil Co. in Swatow returning to the United States on furlough; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilbur, head of the Wilbur players, who are going to Shanghai, with the other members of the party; Miss Myra Chen, Miss Esther Chan, and Miss Pansy Chan, local residents on a pleasure trip to the North; Mr. A. O. Glass who is connected with the Standard Oil Co. in Haiphong, returning to the United States on vacation; Mr. Wing D. Wong, manager of the China Travel Service, who is returning to Shanghai after opening a Branch Office in Hong Kong; Mrs. V. Clumbeck and Miss Thelma Clumbeck, prominent residents of Singapore who are travelling to the United States; Mrs. C. H. Benson, wife of the General Manager of the American Express Co. in Hong Kong, travelling to Shanghai.

"PRESIDENT PIERCE" PASSENGERS.

Among the passengers arriving at Hong Kong yesterday by the *President Pierce* were:—Mr. Max Baker, factory representative of Honolulu, on annual business trip to the Orient; Mr. D. L. Moss, president of Messrs. David L. Moss Company, importers and exporters of New York, on a business trip to Hong Kong and Canton; Mr. John Smith, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, returning from a business trip to Shanghai; Mr. B. C. Solomon, a Standard Oil official, returning from a holiday trip to the States, accompanied by Mrs. Solomon; Mr. T. B. M. Terrace, architect of Shanghai, on a business trip to Canton.

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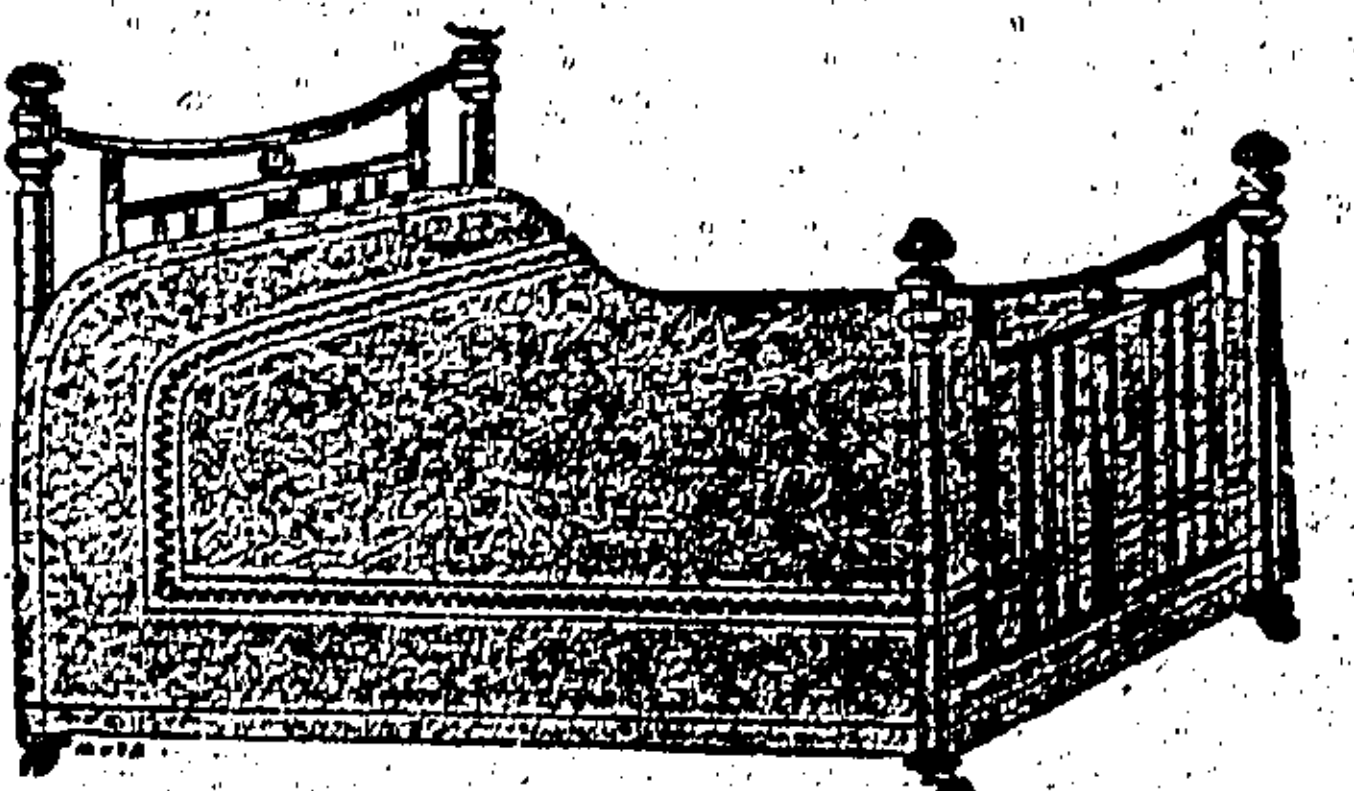
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**THE HONAM
EXPLOSION.****NOT IN COMMUNIST BOMB
FACTORY?****POLICE BAFFLED BY THE
AFFAIR.****Y.M.C.A. SOCIAL WORK IN
CANTON.****[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]**

CANTON, April 10th.

Mystery still surrounds the circumstances of the terrific explosion in Honam the night before last, resulting in the killing of four persons and the seriously wounding of nearly fifteen. Detectives are still busy trying to unearth the facts of the matter and all that lies behind that. The theory that the explosion was due to an accident in a workshop where bandits and Communists were secretly manufacturing bombs and explosives has been abandoned. So far no one has been arrested except the wounded. In direct contradiction to current rumours the house in which the explosion had occurred was not a bandits' rendezvous but was occupied by people of exemplary character. It was a large three-story house, with six families in occupation at the time of the disaster. Most of these families were of rather poor class people except on the second floor where lived a concubine and two small children of Mr. Chen Pak Ling, superintendent of the Canton Water Works. The whole family except one child was killed. But at the time of the catastrophe Mr. Chen was not there.

In conversation with an officer of the Bureau of Public Safety Presmen were informed that the explosion was possibly an act of vengeance against Mr. Chen Pak Ling who has not been on good terms with the labourers at the Water Works. The officer stoutly denied that the house was used as a Communists' explosive factory. "This could not possibly be so," the patrol said, "as there were no less than eight families living in it. These eight families had absolutely no connection with one another whatever. Surely the Communists would not choose such a place for their work. Moreover, the entire building was blown up and four surrounding houses were partially demolished."

Immediately after the explosion martial law was proclaimed in the vicinity of the disaster. No one was allowed to pass in or out of the prohibited area. Everyone within the confines of the prohibited area was thoroughly searched and questioned. No clue could be obtained which threw light on the cause and origin of the disaster.

Meanwhile the Canton patrols are on the alert as they have never been before. Every available precaution has been taken to prevent a similar occurrence and detectives are busy.

Y.M.C.A. ACTIVITIES.

Under the leadership of Messrs. Lee Yin Lam, Tse Chiu Kit and Chiu Kam Lam, the Canton Y.M.C.A. has been doing very commendable work among the Chinese people. The Y.M.C.A. is now about to launch its annual financial drive, the amount sought for being roughly \$15,000. This amount will cover all the expenses of its varied activities and will be apportioned approximately as follows: Community education, \$500; exhibition of home made produce, \$1,200; movement for thrift and frugality, \$500; movement for health and cleanliness, \$500; the establishment of a general library for the common people, \$5,000; maintenance of upkeep of the swimming pool and allied expenses, \$500; physical exercises and physical examination, \$500; first aid instruction class, \$100; the free night school, \$1,000; religious education, \$500; public lectures, \$500; the society for public speaking, \$500; the Canton Y.M.C.A. Weekly, \$1,500; subsidy to the Y.M.C.A. Middle School, \$4,000; art exhibition, \$500; open air motion pictures of educational value, \$500; investigation of the industries, \$500; and Gospel preaching, \$200.

In a pamphlet just issued by the Y.M.C.A. attention was directed to the fact that the Canton Y.M.C.A. has no investments and that its running expenses depend solely on the voluntary contributions of its members and of those who are interested in the work. The Y.M.C.A. anticipates a hard financial campaign, as most people here have been hit by recent troubles but it expects to top the allotted quota.

In its appeal to the public for donations the Y.M.C.A. in a circular pamphlet states that the Y.M.C.A. emphasizes the need for character development and physical and mental cleanliness.

The Y.M.C.A. also inaugurated last year a movement for the more scientific care of infants and children.

Last year's exhibition of home made products was organised by the Y.M.C.A. and among other things the Canton branch established a free night school, discussion circles, and classes in swimming. It also inaugurated a movement for thrift and frugality.

**\$3,000,000 WORTH OF
TOBACCO SEIZED.****B.A.T.'S PROPERTY IN
HONAN.****STOLEN BY FENG YU
HSIANG'S SUBORDINATES.****SOLD IN SHANGHAI.**

The British-American Tobacco Company has become involved in a huge loss of leaf tobacco which had been stored at Hsuehchow in the province of Honan for some time. Altogether, the B.A.T. had, in its godown at Hsuehchow, 10,000,000 pounds of leaf tobacco of the 1924-1925-1926 crops, which they were unable to ship out because they were told by military officials that no transportation could be made available for them at any price.

This tobacco is native-grown. The B.A.T. has for years been supplying Chinese farmers in Honan and Shantung with American seeds and a large agricultural improvement has been made in this product. The B.A.T. supplies the seeds without cost but purchases the tobacco at market prices at the end of the season. The tobacco stored at Hsuehchow had all been paid for, the farmers receiving their money upon the delivery of the leaf. Military interference prevented the company from removing these stores to their factories in Hankow and Shanghai.

Last year, a fire took place at the godown and approximately \$1,000,000 worth of tobacco was reported to have been burned. The remainder amounted to \$3,000,000. Of this amount, \$1,000,000 was seized by the military recently, by subordinates of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, it is reported. These military men are re-baling the tobacco and shipping it to Hankow. Some of it has arrived on the Shanghai market where it is being resold, although it is the property of the B.A.T., which has paid for it to the farmers in Honan.

B.A.T. Marks Obliterated.

It is legally impossible for the B.A.T. to seize the tobacco upon arrival here, because all of it is repacked, the B.A.T. markings being removed to avoid identification. The British Consul General in Hankow is making representations to Marshal Feng and questions were recently asked concerning this seizure in the House of Commons.

Recently, the B.A.T. sent two foreign members of their staff to Hsuehchow to inspect the godown and to determine the condition of the stocks. These foreigners were not permitted to enter the compound of the Company. They were told that the tobacco was being sold by order of the Commissioner of Finance of Honan Province to defray military expenses. The Hsuehchow magistrate sent word to them advising them immediately to leave Hsuehchow. They returned to Hankow, without being able to do anything, although their company's tobacco was being shipped away by a transportation company. The B.A.T.'s comptroller at Hsuehchow was detained for some time by the authorities, but he has now been permitted to leave Hsuehchow and is in Hankow.

Ultimate Loss China's.

If the military are not stopped they will undoubtedly sell the entire stock of tobacco leaf, netting approximately \$3,000,000, which will be a huge loss to the B.A.T. But it really means that an important agricultural interest in China, beneficial to the Chinese farmer, will have been destroyed, for the company will be forced to give up its work for the improvement of the Chinese tobacco leaf and will have to import all its tobacco from abroad into Treaty Ports, where they cannot be molested by soldiers. In this way, a product which has brought the Chinese farmer approximately \$5,000,000 a year will cease to have a market value, to the detriment of the Honan and Shantung peasant, who is already suffering from one of the most appalling depressions in the history of this country.—*North China Daily News.*

**THE JAPANESE
FLEET.****3,000 SAILORS LAND AT
KOWLOON.****ROUND OF ENTERTAINMENTS
FOR OFFICERS AND MEN.**

Japanese sailors had their first real run ashore in the Colony yesterday. A few were given leave on Monday, but yesterday saw the first big exodus from the visiting warships.

About 3,000 visited either Fanling or Castle Peak, being taken to the former place by a number of special trains and to Castle Peak in fleets of motor buses.

The day was ideal for sightseeing and the visitors thoroughly enjoyed their outing. The arrangements went with clockwork precision, the men forming up outside the station as they landed and then duly entertained.

A certain number, carrying bundles of provisions, water bottles, and, in quite a few instances, cameras, went exploring on their own. They were wearing white uniforms, and many of them, particularly the younger men were above the average height of the Japanese, quite comparing in size with many of our bluejackets.

Besides the big contingents landed at Kowloon a number went to Hong Kong and made the journey up to the Peak. In the afternoon the Grand Theatre, Wanchai, was packed for a performance of the naval film, "The Flag Lieutenant," which was greatly enjoyed.

For the officers a number of functions were arranged. There was a big reception at Government House, at which tea was served. H.E. the Governor and Lady Clementi received a large number of guests from the Japanese fleet and many prominent officials and officers of the Navy and Army attended to meet them. The grounds of Government House were looking their best and the function was most successful.

Earlier in the day Admiral Kanji Kato, the other flag officers and their staffs were entertained to tiffin by the Japanese community. In the evening dinner parties were given by Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., and on board several of the British warships.

The two battleships *Nagato* and *Mutsu* were open to Japanese visitors and full advantage was taken of this privilege.

TO-DAY'S ARRANGEMENTS.**GOVERNMENT HOUSE
DINNER.**

To-day, the Japanese Consul-General is giving tiffin to the officers of the Japanese Squadron, and in the afternoon, a reception is being held for them by the Japanese community. Trips by motor car round the Island have been arranged for the Commander-in-Chief, Staff and Flag Officers during the afternoon, and a cinema performance for officers at 5.15 p.m.

The Commander-in-Chief and Officers of the visiting squadron will dine with H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, at Government House.

Smoking Concert.

Arrangements for the entertainment of the 3,000 Warrant Officers and men who will be landed from the Japanese ships are the same as those for yesterday's landing party. The Chief and Petty Officers of the British warships will entertain 200 of the Chief and Petty Officers of the visiting squadron to a smoking concert at 1.30 p.m. in the Royal Naval Canton.

Open To British Visitors.

The two dreadnaughts *Fuso* and *Nagato* will be open to British visitors to-day, and passes to visit these ships can be obtained from the Japanese Consulate.

**OPIUM IN INDIAN
GUARD'S TRUNK.****CURIOUS STORY OF
CHANGED PADLOCK.****ALLEGED TREACHERY OF
SUBORDINATES.**

The Indian guard, Teja Singh, employed on the *s.s. Kochoo* who was charged with the unlawful possession of eight tael of illicit opium, told a curious story at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon when the case against him was resumed before Mr. R. E. Lindsell.

He said that the opium, which was found inside his trunk, was planted upon him so as to get him into trouble by two fellow guards whom he had reported to the captain for being drunk and incapable of performing duty.

The principal witness for the prosecution was one of the guards whom the defendant had reported. He said that on March 23rd, while the vessel was at Wuchow, defendant went ashore. Later he returned with some fuel and a fowl.

Defendant before entering his cabin, looked at witness twice in a furtive manner. Witness suspected something was wrong, and kept defendant under observation. He saw the defendant open his trunk and put in four packages.

Witness said nothing to the captain but when the ship returned to Hong Kong, he went to the Police Station and reported the matter. He told Inspector Bloor that he suspected the defendant of smuggling opium. Witness was then taken to the Imports and Exports Office where he had to tell his story to a Revenue officer. As a result of this, revenue officers went on board the *Kochoo* and removed defendant's trunk.

Evidence was given that next day defendant was taken to the Imports and Exports Office and was asked to hand over the key of his trunk. This he did without hesitation but Revenue Officer Ward in attempting to open the trunk found that the key did not fit. Defendant then looked at his trunk and said that the padlock then on it was not the proper one.

Defendant, giving evidence, told his story that he could not account for the opium getting into his trunk. He could only say that his own original padlock was removed and another one substituted. In the place of \$100 which he had in his trunk, eight tael of opium were placed in it. He surmised that it was a spiteful "frame-up" by the two Indian guards whom he had reported for being drunk.

Mr. Lindsell discharged the defendant and ordered the opium to be confiscated.

TRAFFIC SUMMONSES.**RECKLESS DRIVING IN
CHATER ROAD.**

A Chinese chauffeur appeared before Major C. Willson on a charge of reckless driving in Chater Road resulting in a collision between the car and a private ricksha owned by Mr. E. Des Voeux.

The defendant pleaded guilty and stated that his view was obstructed by the cars parked at the stand. Inspector Alexander appeared for the prosecution and stated that just as Mr. Des Voeux's ricksha was passing along Chater Road, the defendant's car shot out and collided with the ricksha, throwing the occupant out and injuring one of the coolies. Mr. Des Voeux stated that the damage to the ricksha amounted to about \$15.00, but the injured coolie had been unable to return to his work. The case was adjourned pending an exact estimate of the damage and also to see how the injured coolie was progressing.

Passed Stationary Tram-car.

For passing a stationary tram-car at an estimated speed of 30 m.p.h., another Chinese chauffeur was fined \$15.00. It was stated that he nearly ran down a European who had just alighted.

A BANISHEE'S MISTAKE.

A Chinese returned to the Colony just six weeks before the termination of his banishment. When arrested he pleaded that he had made a wrong calculation. He was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday morning with disobeying the order of expulsion, and his Worship after observing that it was hard luck said that the defendant must do the remaining six weeks in prison.

**COURT BAILIFF'S
MISTAKE?****SEQUEL TO SALE UNDER
A WRIT.****THE CHOPS QUESTIONED.**

A peculiar case was heard in the Summary Court yesterday morning concerning the seizing and selling of some building materials by the Court's bailiff, under a writ of execution.

Mr. Justice J. R. Wood said, with a smile, that he seemed to be sitting as an arbitrator more than as a judge.

The case was a sequel to a claim brought by the Kwan Ying Company against Shun Wo Scaffolding Company in respect of a certain sum of money owing to the plaintiff. The case came before Mr. Justice Wood who gave judgment for the plaintiff.

The amount claimed was not paid and a writ of execution was issued. As a result of this, the bailiff seized certain goods and sold them to reimburse the claimant.

Yesterday Mr. P. M. Hodgson appeared for a third party, Pang Tak Sam, and said that the goods seized by the bailiff, and which he evidently thought belonged to the Shun Wo Scaffolding Company, in reality belonged to his client. Mr. Hin Shing Lo appeared for the judgment creditor.

Opening his case, Mr. Hodgson said that the writ of execution was issued on December 20th last year, and eleven days after certain goods belonging to the Shun Wo Company were seized and sold for the sum of \$10.38. This amount was not sufficient to meet the claim, and on January 4th, a certain Chan Lam, partner to the judgment creditor, pointed out to the bailiff scaffolding and poles as being the property of the judgment debtor. These were seized and sold for \$757, and the money was put into Court. These goods were the subject of the present claim and the question before the Court was to decide to whom the money should be paid.

Mr. Hodgson went on to say that the present claimant had filed an affidavit to the effect that the poles and scaffolding had been purchased from the Shun Wo Company on November 29th last year, which was about 21 days before the issue of the execution. These goods and others belonging to the Shun Wo Company were lying on the new reclamation ground at Shamshuipo, but they were separated from each other.

The reply of judgment creditor was that the goods had not been sold to the present claimant, and a receipt put in purporting to be in respect of the transaction was disputed. It was stated that the chops on the receipts were not genuine and that in fact no such chops had been seen before.

The case was adjourned.

SCHOOLBOY KNIFED.**CONVERSATION THAT LED TO
A QUARREL.****DEFENDANT ADMITS USING
A KNIFE.**

The story of a dispute between two schoolboys which gradually developed into a serious quarrel and which finally resulted in one of the boys being knifed in the back with a cobbler's tool was told at the Central Magistracy yesterday. A Chinese schoolboy about 15 years of age pleaded guilty to the charge and was remanded in police custody for 48 hours. The police stated that the injured student was at present in a serious condition at the Hospital with a deep wound in his back, which had been inflicted with a cobbler's knife.

The accused told the Court how the slight dispute gradually assumed serious proportions, and he admitted that he used the knife. He did not mean to hurt the other fellow seriously.

**CAT BURGLAR'S NINE
SUITS.****POCKETS FILLED WITH
LOOT.**

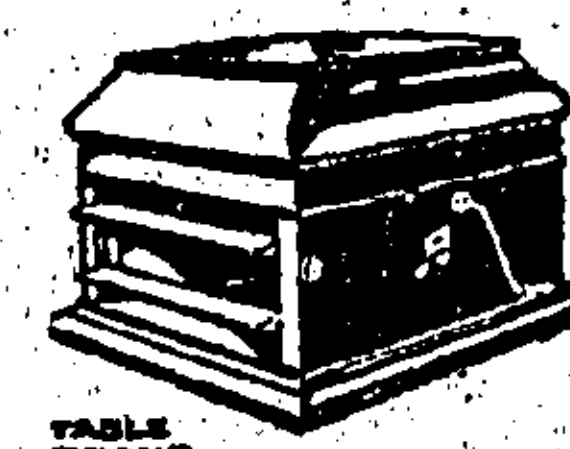
A Chinese described as a cat-burglar appeared before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy yesterday and was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

The defendant appeared in Court clad in the nine suits of clothing he was wearing when arrested. According to police evidence stolen articles were sewed away in the numerous pockets of his outfit. The defendant was caught in the act of escaping from premises at No. 248, Queen's Road Central.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 16th Day of APRIL, 1928, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Pillar Island in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1925, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th APRIL to the 11th APRIL, 1928. Both Days inclusive.
Dated this 30th Day of March, 1928.
By Order of the Board,
J. P. SEEBY,
Manager,
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong. [6632]

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NOTICE OF MEETING.
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.
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BIRTH.

CHEETHAM.—On April 4th, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. B. L. CHEETHAM, a daughter.

DEATH.

EVANS.—On April 5th, at Shanghai, EMMA GERTRUDE EVANS, widow of the late EDWARD EVANS.

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The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, April 11th, 1928.

POLITICAL EQUALITY FOR WOMEN.

With the introduction of the Franchise Bill in the House of Commons women's demand for political equality has been conceded. In due course the Bill will become law, and before the end of the year female voters will outnumber males in Great Britain. What is happening, therefore, is of historic interest. Henceforth women will be entitled to vote at 21 on the

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same footing as men. For some years now their claims in this respect could not be logically resisted. They have invaded public life. They are already in Parliament. They have entered into business in all directions, and have passed through the jealously-guarded portals of the professions. Their claim to the full rights of citizenship, in respect of the vote could not be in justice be indefinitely postponed.

But it must not be supposed that the Franchise Bill will go through Parliament without opposition. There is a proposal in the House of Lords that when the measure gets there an attempt should be made to fix the qualifying age at 25. In the Commons, which more closely reflects popular opinion, the chief concern is how the vast new multitude of women will exercise the franchise at the next General Election. As most people are aware, the Socialists were definitely pledged to equal voting for the sexes. The Liberals were also similarly committed. But Mr. Baldwin has stolen a march on both parties. He has "delivered the goods." If there is such a thing as political gratitude he certainly caught to reap his reward when the Conservatives next go to the country. He can, in effect, say to the women, "See what we have given you! Codlin is your friend, not Short!"

Generally speaking, the average man is against the new Bill. This is not because of any feeling of sex antagonism as some pretend to believe, but because he dislikes the idea of men being suddenly placed in an electoral minority. The new Bill adds to the registers some five-and-a-quarter millions of electors—an increment nearly nine times as great as the whole electorate after

the passing of the Reform Act of 1922. Candidates at the next General Election will face an electorate consisting approximately of 12,900,000 men and 14,000,000 women. There will be a majority of nearly two million women. In other words, it is computed that in every 100 votes there will be 54 women and 46 men. It is not without some show of reason that the cry has been heard of "petticoat government," and that the "women's vote" will in future be the deciding factor in British politics.

"We believe, however, that it would be extremely unwise to attach too much importance to raw statistics. These figures are undoubtedly formidable on paper. Opponents to votes for women at 21 assume that Britain is on the eve of a sex war—an assumption which is manifestly absurd. It is true that when the Suffragist campaign was in full swing much was heard on feminist platforms about the way women would exercise the franchise. They would show mere men how to govern. But in the ten years that women have had the vote—at the age of 30—there has not been the slightest indication that they have voted in essentially differently from men. That is to say, they have not voted with any conscious desire to rank themselves under the banner of sex. They have given their loyalties to the various parties in proportions broadly the same as those which are true of the electorate as a whole. The sex-war if it flickered into existence for a time when women like Mrs. PANKHURST were stumping the country is even less likely to dominate British public life than the class-war which, in the long run, is equally doomed to extinction.

Of the probable effects of the new political situation produced by a preponderance of women electors it would be rash to speculate. There is a strong opinion in England that the "women's vote" will be a Conservative vote. On a wider outlook, the Prime Minister in recent speeches is sound in his view that nobody should expect a new heaven and a new earth as a result of equal franchise for the sexes. But he spoke of the new opportunities of the new freedom, and of the obligations that this freedom means. The faith evoked by the new measure, which has been called a vote of confidence in youth, should be shared by all who rejoice in the thought that youth must be served and must be enabled itself to serve. The youthful mind has much to contribute to national affairs. Its great endowment of high idealism, enterprise and sincerity should make for the enrichment of public life, and the solution of some of the problems that baffle more experienced but less elastic minds.

The dancing display by the pupils of Miss Daisy O'Keefe takes place to-day at the Queen's Theatre at 5 p.m.
The St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club's debate arranged to take place on Monday, April 16th, has been postponed.
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Mr. C. G. Brennan, Consul-General at Canton, sailed for Canton by the *Kinshas* last night. Mr. Brennan has spent the holiday period in Hong Kong, accompanied by Mrs. Brennan.
A Chinese amah employed at No. 138, Nathan Road, has reported to the Yau-mat Police the theft from her of money amounting to \$175, in bank notes, and \$102 worth of Kwangtung silver.

Between one and two o'clock on Thursday afternoon-clothing valued at \$43 was stolen from No. 114, third floor, Des Voeux Road Central. A female occupant of the same house is also reported missing.

A Chinese boy of about three years of age was knocked down and fatally injured by a wooden cart loaded with soil on the Reclamation Ground, Wanchai. He died five minutes after admittance to the Government Civil Hospital.

Letters of administration have been granted in respect of the \$98,300 local estate of the late Dr. Wan Man Kai, of Hong Kong, who died at 23, Caine Road on December 11th last. Deceased died intestate and the property goes to his widow, Mrs. Wan Au Shi, of 28, Caine Road.
To-morrow is the birthday of Sri Gura Khalsa Ji, and the local Sikh community will keep the day as a general holiday. There will be a prayer meeting at the Sikh Temple and arrangements for free meals are being made by the Khalsa Diwan. Heads of departments and private firms are kindly requested to grant a day's leave to their watchmen to-morrow.

Among the passengers arriving yesterday by the *Empress of Canada* were Mr. C. S. Speyer, of Shanghai, the representative of Behrens & Sons, Shanghai; Mr. C. A. A. Williams, of Tientsin, Commissioner of Chinese Maritime Customs, and Mrs. Williams; Mr. R. R. Roxburgh, principal of Thornycrofts, Ltd., Shanghai, on a visit to Hong Kong; Dr. H. G. Earle, professor of physiology, University of Hong Kong. Through passengers included: Mr. A. Llorente, of Los Angeles, president of the Philippine Motion Picture Corporation; the Hon. I. Gabaldon, of Manila, Resident Commissioner to the United States for the Philippine Islands, returning from Washington; Mrs. E. Harrington, wife of the British Consul-General, Manila, returning from a brief stay in Japan; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Isle, Shanghai, accountant of the Great Northern Telegraph Co., Shanghai; Mr. C. A. C. Bruin, Vice-Consul for Denmark at Shanghai.

KOWLOON CARNIVAL.

"CONTRA-DANCE" REVIVED.

On Sunday and Monday nights the Portuguese Community of Kowloon held a carnival and a large number of girls and young men took part in the procession which was arranged. The carnival is an old Portuguese custom which is held every year during Easter. The procession of lanterns and dancers in fancy costume presented an extremely pretty sight, and caused no little interest among Kowloon residents.
The dancing was accompanied by a stringed band, and following the procession a dance was held at the Orient Tobacco Factory in Nathan Road. On Monday night the dancing was held at a house in Chatham Road.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.15 p.m., stated:—
The anti-cyclone is unchanged, depressions are situated to the north of Shanghai and over S.W. Japan. Moderate monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.
Local Forecast:—N. and N.E. winds, moderate, fine to cloudy.

YESTERDAY'S WEDDINGS.

MISS DOROTHY RAY AND MR. W. J. KEATES.

Miss Dorothy Ray, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ray, managing-director of the Hong Kong Amusements, Limited, was married yesterday in St. John's Cathedral to Mr. W. J. Keates, of the *Hong Kong Telegraph*, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Keates, of Reading. Among other guests were Mr. R. Wylie, general manager of the *South China Morning Post*, and Mr. G. W. C. Burnett, managing-editor of the *China Mail*. Mr. H. Ching, acting editor of the *South China Morning Post* and Mrs. Ching, Mrs. R. T. Barrett, of the *Hong Kong Daily Press* and many other journalist friends of the bridegroom. Mr. H. G. Swinburne, a member of the *South China Morning Post* staff, was best man.

The bride who was given away by her father, and attended by Mrs. A. Morris as Matron of Honour and her two sisters, the Misses Annie and Edith Ray, as bridesmaids, looked very charming in her picture frock of ivory satin and silver lace. She wore a long tulle veil secured by a tight little cap of silver lace and a coronal of orange blossom and carried a sheaf of arm lilies. The bridesmaids wore long picture frocks of pink and the other mauve taffetas, with silver lace caps, and carried bunches of roses.

Mrs. A. Morris had a dress of corn coloured silk lace over satin with a large hat to match.

After the ceremony, which was performed by the Very Rev. the Dean (the Rev. A. Swann, M.A., D.S.C.), a reception was held in the Hong Kong Hotel where many friends were gathered to wish happiness to the young couple. Mr. H. G. Swinburne in a neat speech proposed the health of bride and bridegroom, to which Mr. Keates replied. The health of the bridesmaids was proposed by Mr. Noronha who wished for them that it might not be long before they were pretty, happy brides like their elder sister.

WITTENBACH-BLANCHETT.

PRETTY CEREMONY AT SHAMEEN.

A wedding of much interest in educational and missionary circles took place at Christ Church, Shameen, Canton, yesterday morning, between the Rev. Henry August Wittenbach and Miss Hannah Gertrude Blanchett.

The bridegroom, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wittenbach, of Melbourne, Australia, is well known in Hong Kong, having been associated with Holy Trinity College, Canton, and recently with St. Stephen's College, Hong Kong, and St. John's Hall, University of Hong Kong. He is known as a very eloquent speaker and has often taken a leading part at the European Y.M.C.A. and at St. Peter's Club debates.

The bride is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. G. I. Blanchett, of the Church Missionary Society, Canton.
The bride, who was given away by her mother, wore a white Canton crepe dress with Irish lace veil which was presented by Her Majesty the Queen to St. Michael's School and since used by St. Michael's School brides. Her bouquet was of Easter lilies and pink verbenas, grown at home.

Miss J. L. Vincent, the bridesmaid, was attired in a dress of white Canton crepe and carried a bouquet of larkspur.
The bride's mother wore a dress of pale grey flowered silk.
The bride's father officiated and Mr. P. Sands, Assistant Secretary of the European Y.M.C.A., Hong Kong, was best man.
There was a largely attended reception at the C.M.S. House, East Parade Ground, Canton, after the ceremony.
The honeymoon is to be spent at Shatin Gap, Hong Kong, and Mr. and Mrs. Wittenbach will later return to Canton to Holy Trinity College.

MISS GLEITZE'S GREAT SWIM.

"QUITE DIFFERENT FROM CHANNEL."

ALMOST GAVE UP.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSBY, April 8th.

Miss Mercedes Gleitze, the London typist who claims to have swum the Straits of Gibraltar, was interviewed in Paris to-day on her way home to London. She produced an affidavit signed by Don Francesco Bueno, Military Governor of Tarifa, who was one of seventy people from Tarifa who accompanied her in tugs on her swim. This document duly testifies that Miss Gleitze swam across the Straits unassisted.

Miss Gleitze said that this success came at her sixth attempt to swim the Straits. She has made three attempts from the Tangier side and three from Tarifa. Swimming the Straits was quite different from swimming the English Channel.

The water was much warmer and she did not suffer from cold, although her fingers were paralysed after about six hours in the water. After about one and a half hours' swimming the current became so strong that she was almost on the point of giving up, but the pilot encouraged her to go on and shortly afterwards the current changed and helped her.

The distance across is only nine miles but she calculates that she swam about twenty-two miles in all.

SINGAPORE FACTORY FIRE.

DAMAGE OF \$300,000.

THIRD "RUBBER FIRE" IN A FEW WEEKS.

SINGAPORE, April 2nd.

The third rubber factory fire within a few weeks—bringing the total value of rubber lost by fire in Singapore during this period well within the neighbourhood of a million dollars—occurred yesterday morning, says the *Straits Times*.

The scene was the 64 mile, Thomson Road, the premises of the Chop Kian Hong Long rubber factory. When the Fire Brigade arrived the pillars and the debris of what had been a three-storied rubber factory was being fast consumed by a fiercely raging fire that had apparently been in progress "for some considerable time" in the words of one of the Brigade officers.

Village In Danger.

There was danger of the outbreak spreading to a neighbouring village, an eventually that would have produced a conflagration of the dimensions of the great Geylang fire of a couple years ago, and the firemen worked hard to confine the fire to the factory.

The first intimation the Singapore Fire Brigade had of the occurrence, was a message at 1.30 a.m. on Sunday from the Port Canton Signal Station that a glare was visible in the sky near Sea View. It was while ringing up the Exchange to ascertain if they had had a report of a fire that one of the European officers received the information from Telephone 1446. A fire engine and a tender reached the scene at 1.54 a.m. The only source of a water supply was a stream on the estate, and it was only after nine hours hard work that the fire was completely put out.

A Loud Explosion.

According to two Indian watchmen on duty at the factory the fire began at 1 a.m. One of these men states that he saw a fire on the second floor and as he was going to call the Chinese "kranis" there was a loud explosion, and the next few moments the second floor was well alight.

The loss is stated to amount to \$300,000, which is covered by insurance. The building did not belong to the company.

FILIPINO SENT TO PRISON.

FRENCH LEAVE FROM HOUSE OF DETENTION.

For failing to return to the House of Detention, a Filipino named Benito de Guzman was sent to prison for six weeks by Major C. Willson at the Central Magistrate's Court yesterday. Mr. J. W. Francis stated that the defendant was missed from the Detention House last year, and his disappearance had caused considerable trouble to the Police, Prison and Consular Authorities. The defendant was quite aware that he had to obtain permission before leaving the House of Detention. The Police informed him that he was not to leave, but that he should stay in the House where he subsequently found work.

FENGTIENESE APPREHENSIVE OF
FLANKING MOVEMENT.

CHRISTIAN GENERAL'S OFFENSIVE STARTS.

NORTHERNERS AWAIT NIANGTSEKUAN SUCCESS.

FRONTIER PASS TO SHANSI
IMPREGNABLE.

In spite of some contradictory reports, it is evident that the Fengtienese have captured Tsingting, near the Chihli-Shansi border. Northern activity in other zones appears to be held more or less in suspense until this success on the Tsingting-Taiyuen Railway is consummated. The Northerners would no doubt like to push through the mountains to Taiyuen, the capital of Shansi, a move which would cripple the Shansi opposition entirely.

The only way into Shansi in the Tsingting region is through the Niangtsekwán Pass, which is almost impassable so long as an enemy holds the surrounding mountains. Added to this, it is reported that the pass is strongly fortified.

The immediate intention of the Northerners is to drive the Shansi forces into the Niangtsekwán Pass and to bottle them up there. This will both safeguard the Fengtien lines of communications and release a certain number of troops for other activities.

The Christian General has ordered the commencement of his general offensive and intends to attack Tamingfu in Southern Chihli. A message from Hanchow to the vernacular papers states that the Fengtienese in Southern Chihli are very apprehensive of this attack, fearing for the safety of their communications, and are making efforts to counteract it.

FENG'S PLAN OF ATTACK.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 10th.

Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang has ordered a general offensive against the Fengtienese since the 8th inst.

He has ordered General Lu Chung Lun to lead his troops to attack Tamingfu, Southern Chihli, while General Liu Chin Hua is responsible for the attack upon Chaochow.

Within two or three days hostilities are expected to begin on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway between Marshal Chiang Kai Shek's army and the troops under Generals Sun Chuan Fang and Chang Tsung Chang.

NORTHERNERS APPREHENSIVE.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 10th.

A message from Hanchow states that the Fengtienese now operating in Southern Chihli are very apprehensive of the expected attack of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang upon Tamingfu, Southern Chihli, which would offer a serious threat to their communications. With a view to counteracting Marshal Feng's strategic movement, the Fengtienese military authorities have ordered the Shantung troops in Southern Shantung to shorten their defence line in order that whenever possible they may bring pressure on Eastern Honan.

LI AT SHANGHAI.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 10th.

Marshal Li T'ai Hsin, accompanied by General Chen Ming Shu and other prominent Kuomintang officials, arrived at Shanghai yesterday afternoon.

General Chin Tai Chuan will assume office as Provisional Commander of Shanghai Chinese native city, on the 15th inst.

SHORT LIVED REVOLT.

VENEZUELAN MUTINY
QUELLED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CARACAS, April 8th.

A military revolt broke out here, but was quickly suppressed. The mutineers killed two officers, who refused to rebel, and marched to the ammunition stores at the San Carlos Barracks. They were received with rifle fire. Several were killed or wounded and the rest taken prisoner.

WAITING FOR FURTHER
SUCCESSSES.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 10th.

After capturing Fengtchen, the first defence line of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang, the Fengtienese have temporarily suspended further operations, pending the result of the struggle along the Tsingting-Taiyuen Railway.

THE ATTACK ON SHANSI.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 10th.

Although the Fengtienese have captured Tsingting, a strategic point on the way to Niangtsekwán, the Shansi troops are still holding strong defensive positions in the hills north of the city, and heavy firing is continuing.

SHANSI IMPREGNABLE.

(Wah Tze Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 10th.

General Yen Shih Shan has telegraphed to Nanking stating that the Fengtienese who besieged Wufoi, south of Yenmu Pass, have been repulsed. Although they are concentrating their forces to attack the Shansi defence line on the Tsingting-Taiyuen Railway, it is impossible for them to penetrate the Niangtsekwán Pass, which is strongly fortified in addition to the natural strategic strength of almost impregnable mountains.

PEKING TO LONDON.

MOTORING THRILLS.

ADVENTURERS REACH
EUROPE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 10th. Major and Mrs. McCallum and two mechanics, who are motoring from Peking to London have arrived in Europe, crossing in a ferry boat from Mudania to here. They had some exciting moments crossing the Taurus Mountains, where roads are of the narrowest, and there are many landlamps.

AID FOR SIMON COMMISSION.

PROVINCIAL COMMITTEES
CO-OPERATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHILLONG, April 8th.

The first Provincial Committee in India, which will co-operate with the Simon Commission, was elected today. The Assam Legislative Council has elected a committee of seven members to assist the Commission, and enquire into the working of reforms. The committee consists of three Hindus, three Moslems, and one European.

LOOTING OF MIS-
SIONS.CHRISTIAN GENERAL'S
TROOPS.NO ATTEMPTS AT
CONTROL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 10th.

In view of the fact that certain religious newspapers in Britain have expressed doubts regarding the reports that the followers of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang had looted and destroyed mission property in Honan, suggesting that at least Feng Yu Hsiang himself was not responsible, Reuter has made the most careful enquiries of the Canadian Presbyterian missionaries who evacuated Honan last spring on the advance of Marshal Feng's Army.

They declare that though various armies fought over the territory in which their stations were situated—northern Honan, north of the Yellow River—none of their property was molested till Feng Yu Hsiang re-entered Honan last year. Since that time all their missions had been looted except Wufoi, which was the only station which had not fallen into Feng's hands.

A Christian Act!

The property looted includes four hospitals in which, years ago, many of Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's soldiers were nursed when sick or wounded. Several schools, churches and preaching chapels are also included as well as numbers of missionaries' residences.

Wholesale Looting.

Looting has been going on intermittently for several months. Most houses are stripped of floors, boards and other woodwork, some even of the roofs. At least one school and one residence have been burned. At a fine new hospital at Weiwei soldiers wantonly destroyed thousands of dollars worth of medicines and other property which they could not carry off.

Letter Of Protest.

Canadian missionary leaders, several of whom had formerly been personal friends of Feng Yu Hsiang, sent a registered letter to him, politely pointing out what was going on, and requesting an investigation, and the prevention of looting. Though a receipt for the letter was received, showing that Feng Yu Hsiang had received it, he did not acknowledge the letter, and had taken no action.

Missionaries further declare that Marshal Feng himself had several times visited these cities in the past few months, thus showing that he was in control of these regions, and was able to prevent the outrage if he desired.

EXTREMIST PARTIES
SUPPRESSED.

A MENACE TO SECURITY.

STRONG JAPANESE
ACTION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, April 10th.

The Government has ordered the dissolution of the Ronoto, (the extremist Proletarian Party), and two other extremist political organisations, on the ground that their existence is a menace to security and order. The dissolution does not affect the two Ronoto members of the Diet.

RUBBER PRICE FALL.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 8th.

The passing of a dividend on the first preferred stocks of the United States Rubber Company has caused a break of over six points to 79, a new low record.

ABOLITION OF
RESTRICTION.POLICY OF RUBBER
GROWERS.

DIVERGENT VIEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SINGAPORE, April 10th.

There are divergent views as to what policy rubber growers should adopt in consequence of the impending abolition of restriction. Some point out the danger of tapping all out and piling up a stock which will flood the market when restriction ceases. Other authorities believe that estates should mark time in expectation that the industry will reorganise itself, and that some scheme will be evolved which will put the market on firm ground, and bring back prices to a remunerative level.

FIERCE STORM IN
ATLANTIC.

PASSENGERS' ORDEAL.

HEAVY DAMAGE TO
"LEVIATHAN."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 8th.

Wireless messages from incoming liners report a severe storm in the Atlantic. Officers of the *Leviathan*, which docked here today, state that enormous damage was caused on Thursday night by a huge wave. This wave wrecked the searchlight on the foremast 85 feet above the waterline, and smashed four lifeboats. It also drenched a score of third-class passengers by breaking a ventilator, down which the water poured in torrents. Quantities of crockery were broken and many fittings damaged.

SOVIET TERRORISM.

TORTURES FOR PRISONERS.

CHIEF OF POLICE ON TRIAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Riga, April 8th.

The Supreme Court of Soviet Russia has begun the trial of Nekhoroshev, the Chief of Police of the town of Gharuvey in the Government of Kharkov. His deputy and others are included in the charge, which is one of inflicting terrible tortures on prisoners who are alleged to have been half-strangled, to have had their hair torn out, and other brutalities inflicted. Apparently all the inhabitants of the town have been terrorised.

U.S. TREASURER RESIGNS.

PRESIDENT OF SOUTHERN
BANK.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 8th.

Mr. Frank White, Treasurer of the United States Department of the Treasury, has resigned to become President of the Southern Bank.

THE RIGHTS OF CONGRESS.

DELEGATION OF POWER TO
PRESIDENT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 8th.

In a test case before the Supreme Court it was decided that Congress had not exceeded its constitutional authority in delegating the power to the President to raise and lower Customs duties, to equalise the cost of production at home and abroad.

BRILLIANT WEATHER.

EASTER IN ENGLAND.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 8th.

The Easter holidays have been favoured here with brilliant weather, which has stimulated the usual exodus from London to the coast and the country.

COMMUNISM IN
JAPAN.GRAVE NATIONAL
DIFFICULTY."REVOLUTIONISM WELL
SUFFUSED."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, April 10th.

Following the completion of the examination of the communists arrested in March, the Government has released the news embargo, which was hitherto enforced in Japan.

The Procurator General considers "the most predominant impression from the whole affair is the serious fact that Japan is now confronted by an unusually grave national difficulty, inasmuch as revolutionism is pretty well suffused."

He added that the present attempt to undermine the foundations of the Empire from within, which is influenced by radical ideas from alien people, is more serious than a threat of armed force from without.

REVOLT AGAINST MAR-
RIAGE?DECLARED TO BE SPREAD-
ING IN ENGLAND.IDEAS OF "THE INTELLI-
GENTSIA."

LONDON, March 20th.

Free-love unions in England are increasing with startling rapidity, according to a *United Press* correspondent.

This is due, it is said, to a growing dissatisfaction on the part of the younger intelligentsia with the marriage and divorce laws in England.

"Those who mingle with students and young professional men and women," writes Nesta Ryall in one of the Sunday newspapers here, "find among them a distinct reaction against the conventional marriage tie."

"The state of 'free love' appeals to them, according to this well-known writer, as the only effective protest against the existing laws within their power. They do not enter into these relations lightly, nor do they use them as a cloak for promiscuity. They hope, she explains, that the unions will be as lasting as those formed within the bounds of church and state."

Miss Ryall is personally aware of many such unions and is able to say that a very large number of young people of the same type, as yet unnamed, are frankly opposed to marriage under the present conditions of civil and religious contracts.

"Recently," writes Miss Ryall, "two people, a man and a woman of high academic attainments, gave a party to which they invited all their friends and relations. This was their wedding feast. They announced that they intended to live together as man and wife, but outside the bonds of wedlock."

"Just look at some of the factors in marriage as we look at them," a number of young intellectuals said. "Most of the girls I meet have got careers. They are earning as much as I am and frequently more, and they mean to keep their jobs after marriage. But look how often their good resolutions fade away into that age old chant: 'He married me and he's got to keep me.' We think of marriage as a sharing of equal burdens."

Miss Ryall further declares that the grievance of joint assessment is much heavier than it would be if taken separately for the man's earnings, and for the woman's. "Why should I get married in order to acquire the privilege of paying higher income tax," demands one young woman whose earnings are considerably greater than those of the man she lives with. She prefers living outside the bonds of wedlock.

DARTS A GAME OF SKILL.

MAGISTRATE COMPARES IT
TO BISLEY.Mr. Bingley, the Marylebone
magistrate, held that darts was a
game of skill.

Before the court were two youths, John Ball, tailor, of Dewsbury-terrace, Camden Town, N.W., and Francis Bentley, gear cutter, of Buck-street, Camden Town, who were charged with gambling in the street.

"It was stated they were playing darts, the one who went nearest the bull's eye being the winner. He was paid a half-pony by the loser."

"Surely it is skill," said Mr. Bingley. "Cards are chance, but the aiming of darts at a dartboard is as much skill as shooting at Bisley. You will be discharged."

U.S. AND CAVELL
FILM.

EXHIBITION APPROVED.

QUESTION OF HISTORY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 10th.

The State Department for Education has approved of the exhibition of the film, "Dawn," except for a few passages including the assembling of the firing squad and the scene depicting the shooting of a disobedient soldier.

The owner of the rights has consented to the required cut, although he objects to the elimination of the latter incident on the ground that it is a question of history.

COBHAM'S FLIGHT ROUND
AFRICA.

RHODESIAN AIR LINE!

INSPECTS POSSIBLE SITES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 8th.

Sir Alan Cobham, who is making an aerial survey of Africa, landed on Sunday in Bana Creek at the mouth of the River Congo, after a flight of five hundred miles up the West Coast from Lobito Bay. At Lobito he inspected possible aerodrome sites in view of the advantages which speedy aerial communication would confer upon Rhodesia.

TURKISH STATE RELIGION.

BILL OF ABOLITION PASSED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 10th. The National Assembly at Angora unanimously passed the Bill separating Church and State.

OBITUARY.

NOTED SCIENTIST'S DEATH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The Hague, April 8th.

The death has occurred of Professor Ritzema Bos, the founder of phyto-pathology.

RUSSIAN DANCER'S RUC.

FOUND AMONG ARCOS
EFFECTS.

Mme. Karavina, who is now touring in Eastern and Central Europe, met with an odd incident in London just before she started last week.

Among the possessions that she and her husband, Mr. Henry Bruce, were obliged to leave behind in the St. Petersburg flat six months or so after the Bolshevik revolution was a beautiful rug with the figure of a mameluke on horseback as its centre. So far as is known there is not another like it in the world.

Passing the other day down a London street, Mme. Karavina noticed in a shop window a rolled up rug, of which only a corner was showing. She instantly recognised it, and dumfounded the shopman by describing the whole of the design. He had bought it as part of a wholesale lot sold by Arcos.

Mme. Karavina thinks there is quite a good chance that in time she may in the same way get on shop-window terms with all her pictures, furniture and other belongings.

BOY'S BRAIN WASHED.

REMARKABLE OPERATION
AFTER SKULL FRACTURE.

SYDNEY, N.S.W.

With his skull badly fractured a 2-year-old boy living in a Sydney suburb was brought to the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children with his brain protruding through a gaping hole.

A surgeon washed the brain, put it back, and the boy is on the high road to complete recovery. Several children were playing together, and the boy was being chased by others. In running he crashed his head against a brick wall.

When he was taken to hospital he had a large gash above the left forehead, and below it the skull had been smashed like an egg-shell. Through the jagged hole a portion of the brain was protruding. In spite of his injuries the little chap was conscious.

A surgeon was rushed to the institution. He cleaned up the wound and the exposed portion of the brain, put it back in its place, and the boy never turned a hair.

LEAGUE REPRESENTATIVE
SHOT.

PATIENT OUT OF DANGER.

POLICE MYSTIFIED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 10th.

Herr Schlemmer, the Representative of the League of Nations and Director of the local branch of the International Labour Office, has been admitted to hospital suffering from a bullet wound. It is not known how it was inflicted.

The bullet has been extracted, and the patient is said to be out of danger. The police are making enquiries.

"SILK STOCKINGS."

CHARADES IN THE DIVORCE
COURT.LAURA LA PLANTE'S CLEVER
ACTING.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Silk Stockings" is the story of a modest and according to the programme a "model" American couple. They love each other so much, we are told, that they are always quarrelling; America is a wonderful country and perhaps "Big Bill's" influence may have caused the suppression of those moral rhymes about the agreement of little birds in their nests, and the very different habits of dogs which are used with some effect in British nurseries.

However that may be, Laura La Plante and her handsome boyish husband John Harron squabble and kiss alternately all day long. Laura is very good at pouts, quick smiles, tears, and her own particular little mouse so perhaps the play was written for her benefit and is not typical of most American couples.

There is a nice fat lawyer, Ole Hansen, who thinks the best solution would be a temporary parting, and he introduces Laura to the divorce court. Here comes a scene at once amazing, incredible and wholly delightful. In the judge's chair is another fat and pleasant gentleman, Burr McIntosh, and for his benefit Laura performs charades, to prove her husband's cruelty towards her. "From the day we married," she says, "he started gambling." She deals the imaginary cards, snakes, examines her hand and works the judge up into a considerable state of excitement. Follows a vivid pantomime of her husband's bibulous habits; and, as a grand finale, the brutal ill-treatment which she suffered at his hands. Here she plays two roles, the victim and the villain. "Divorce granted," thunders the judge, and when the unfortunate husband, whose only crime is that a gay young woman planted a pair of silk stockings in his pocket, asks if he may not tell his side he is informed that he was lucky to have escaped the chair!

That is the best, though what follows is quite amusing. Laura of course wants her husband back and decides to compromise herself with him to prevent the decree being made absolute. The final close up shows the two united, until the next time Laura feels the historic rug.

"Silk Stockings" is really a short comedy which has been run out to the length of a feature film, but so successfully that you do not realise how little there is in it until afterwards. It is an original and amusing little piece though by no means the best Miss La Plante can give us. We think, however, that you will enjoy it.

Next Sunday.

Adapted from "Hassan" the famous stage play, "The Lady of the Harem" will be shown at the Queen's Theatre for three days commencing Sunday. The picture has been produced by Ismail Whaly and tells the story of a beautiful Persian maid played by Greta Nissen, who is taken by the Sultan as payment of her father's debt. William Collier, Jr., makes a dashing, handsome hero, and K. Sojin, the Oriental actor who achieved fame in "The Chinese Parrot," is a sinister, terrifying sultan. Ernest Torrence plays the role of Hassan, the happy-go-lucky confidant, who becomes the friend of the sultan and then his keenest enemy.

Dancing Display Today.

As Miss Daisy O'Keefe's pupils are giving a dancing display at 3 p.m. there will be no movie performance at 5.15 p.m. in the Queen's Theatre today, but the 2.30, 7.15 and 9.20 movie performances will be held as usual. During the dancing display the Misses Alleen and Doris Woods are giving songs from their repertoire.

LAWN TENNIS.

RUMJAHNS NEARLY DEFEATED.

DARKNESS ENDS EXCITING MATCH.

FINCHER BEATS GREEN.

A long and exciting struggle was seen on the Stand Court yesterday afternoon when the Rumjahns cousins, doubles champions, met T. Akiyama and T. Honda in the third round of the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony. For over two hours last year's finalists battled before a representative gathering of tennis fans, including many officers of the Japanese Navy and although over fifty games were played, a decision could not be reached and the match was stopped, on account of darkness, with the score at 5 all in the final set. The match will be replayed next Wednesday, the 18th inst.

The closing stages of the match were played in fast falling light and it was scarcely possible to follow the flight of the ball in the final games. Play proved very exciting then as the Rumjahns were on the verge of defeat, while the Japanese pair were racing the clock and light to overcome their formidable opponents. Honda and Akiyama had the match well in hand and the run of play gave the impression that they would turn the tables this year. They had the lead throughout the match, except at the start, and in the final set led at 2-0, 3-1, 4-2 and 5-3. The ninth game, which was played in semi-darkness, went to the Rumjahns, who also won the tenth against Honda's service to even the score at 5 all.

On the merits of play the Japanese pair should have won. Akiyama played wonderfully well and lobbed judiciously throughout the match, which, coupled with Honda's clever tactics broke up their opponents' game. Only at volleying did the Japanese show any inferiority to the champions. Honda played exceedingly well and passed his opponents with many speedy shots. He was responsible for some smart play throughout and has never played better in a doubles match since he came to the Colony. An idea of the evenness of the two pairs is shown by the games each pair won. The Rumjahns took 28 games in the five sets and the Japanese 25.

The Indians gave without doubt a much poorer display than was generally expected and in fact it was their worst performance since they won the championship three years ago. S. A. Rumjahn, the champion, was off-colour. His strokes lacked the sting that won for him the championship last year and the accuracy of his smashes went astray. H. D. certainly could not be said to have saved his side from defeat yesterday. On the whole the pair showed bad form, but should be given credit for their cool uphill fight.

The Play.

The match opened in favour of the Rumjahns who took the lead at 4-2 by some forceful tactics. They then fell off and lost the next three games, Honda and Akiyama breaking up their opponents' game by well timed and well placed lobbing and by some hard driving from Honda.

Play became strenuous at this stage as both struggled keenly for every point and long rallies became a feature. The Rumjahns pulled up but at 8 all the Japanese won the next two games for the set by dint of accurate play. An extraordinary struggle took place in the second set. First the Rumjahns led at 2-0, and then the Japanese seized five consecutive games, and it appeared that the Japanese would annex the set, but the Rumjahns finding they could not win by forceful play adopted steady measures and were so successful that they pulled the set out of the fire. The match continued in ding dong manner from the third set to the end. The Japanese had the upper hand in the third set when they won easily, but the Indians retained by the securing the fourth without difficulty. The fifth set, as described above, was a source of anxiety for the Rumjahns and it might probably have been the feeling that the championship title was at stake that urged them to struggle for a losing game, but the match ended all even in darkness, the final scores reading from the Japanese were: 6-0, 5-7, 6-2, 1-6 and 5-5.

Other Matches.

In the Open Singles E. C. Fincher accounted for S. E. Green in easier manner than expected, winning in straight sets. He now meets H. Yoshida, winner to qualify for the semi-final. G. W. Sewell was successful in the Club Singles defeating E. D. Lawrence in straight sets. He now meets E. E. Green in the semi-final.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.
Yesterday's results were as follows:

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(Continued on next Column).

INTERNATIONAL RUGGER.

FRANCE'S VICTORY OVER WALES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 9th.
In glorious weather before a large crowd France met Wales in the rugger international at Colombes to-day. The turf was in splendid condition and the game was played at a fine pace, France eventually winning by 8 points to 3.

"WIDOWED" BY GOLF. SHOULD IT BE A GROUND FOR DIVORCE.

[BY A WOMAN.]

How well I understand the despairing mood which made "Golfers' Widow" proclaim her unhappiness to the world in her recent *Daily Express* article. "Golf Should be Made a Ground for Divorce."

My husband is a commercial traveller. He leaves home on Monday morning, and returns late on Friday evening, tired and ready for sleep.

He spends Saturday morning writing his reports, and nearly always devotes the afternoon pottering about with his car, getting it into condition for a twelve miles run to the golf course the next day. He is a good bridge player, and, more often than not, is called on to make up a four on Saturday evening.

On Sunday morning, he up early, whistling and singing in his bath, while I prepare breakfast, cut and pack sandwiches, home-made cakes, and his favourite pies for his lunch. His friends call for him, and the babies and I wave him a noisy farewell; for him, it is the beginning of a bright day. For me—

The house is quiet. I proceed with my domestic duties; at least, my body does. My soul is flying along in that fast car with him.

At seven o'clock, or later, when the evenings lengthen, comes his cheer, "Hello—any grub, Mum? I'm starving! Kids all right?" I can hardly answer, because I do not want him to see the tears that are nearly coming (I have discovered that screwing my face into a smile sends them back). Then, while he eats, he tells me what a perfectly glorious day he has had; describes his game, shows me his score card, passes his plate for more.

So that is my life. My husband is away from me the whole week, occupied with his work; away from me the whole week-end, occupied with his play. But I do not want to divorce him. If I did I should lose the little that makes life worth living.

"Besides, sometimes the weather is kind to me, and is on my side. Some times it rains or snows or 'fogs,' and he cannot play golf. That is our triumph time. Then the house rings with 'Daddy's going to be home all day long. Hurray! I'll get my bricks out.' And: 'Will you help me spring-clean my doll's house, Daddy?' or 'We'll sail all our boats in the bath to-night, and 'Please tell me a story, Daddy.'"

The truth is that my husband is merely selfish, absolutely and entirely selfish. But he would be tremendously shocked if anybody told him so. If he reads this he will probably say, "What a selfish blighter the fellow must be, treating a decent woman like that!" He will not know that he is looking into a mirror; neither will he ever dream that "Mummy" has unfathomed depths that are as thrilling and as thrilling as his own.

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The second half opened with Hong Kong leading by four clear goals, and in the first minute Rocha met the ball from a dropping centre by Silva and netted from close range. A corner to Hong Kong ended with Remedios (A.A.) beating Rosa with a fast rising shot. Macao again got down and a fast cross shot by Molaco had the home goalie guessing and luckily he turned the ball round the post. From a centre by Brown, Gosano (A.) beat Rosa and the same player scored, again from a pass by Silva.

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LOCAL FOOTBALL.

SACRED HEART COLLEGE v. CANTON AND SHAMEN.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Sacred Heart College, 3; Ling Nam University, 0.
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Sacred Heart College, 3; Shamene Army Combined, 2.
Sacred Heart College, 2; Shamene Army and Civilian, 1.

On the 7th inst. at 1 p.m. under a burning sun the Sacred Heart met the Ling Nam University on the latter's ground. The six feet goal posts and the very uneven ground spoiled the game but the College players won as stated above.

On the 8th inst. at 11 a.m. the College played the Chung San University. The game was very fast but rather on the rough side and several of the College players were hurt.

On the same day at 4 p.m. before several thousand spectators, including Admiral Chan Chak, the College played the Shamene detachment of troops. This team is supposed to be quite strong as they have beaten Canton Combined by 9-1. The College players were a bit tired after the morning game when they took the field but they played a very fast and well combined game and Lau Mau scored after 3 minutes play. The same player scored again when the match was 10 minutes old. The half time score was: Sacred Heart College, 2; Army, 0.

Shortly after the resumption of the game the College were leading by 3 nil, but at the closing 5 minutes of the game two of the College half backs got cramp and Sergeant Cooper taking advantage of the weakened defence scored two goals in quick succession.

On the 9th inst. at 10.30 the College team played Shamene Civilian and Garrison Combined. The combined team played a good and fast game and were leading by 1 nil at half time. Lai Tin Ching, Wong Lee scored for the College in the second half. The final whistle sounded with Sacred Heart winning by 9-1.

Admiral Chan Chak was present at the last two matches, and the winning team was invited to a motor drive around the city before their departure.

HONG KONG PORTUGUESE BEAT MACAO BY LARGE MARGIN.

Hong Kong 8, Macao 1.
The final game in the series of Interport matches between Hong Kong, Shanghai and Macao was played yesterday on the H.K.F.C. ground, Hong Kong winning easily as the score indicates.

Hong Kong therefore wins the rubber with wins over Shanghai and Macao. Hong Kong depended on the side that beat Shanghai on Sunday last, while Macao made one change, L. de Silva turning out at left back in place of L. Melo.

The attendance was poor for an Interport fixture.

Hong Kong soon took the lead, Rocha turning into goal from a centre by B. Gosano. Within a few minutes Hong Kong went further ahead. From a centre by B. Gosano, the ball glanced off a defender to Rocha close in and the referee player easily beat Rosa.

The third goal came from A. Gosano who met a pass from Silva and placed the ball in the net near the post.

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MACAO RACES.

SEVENTH EXTRA MEETING.

HANDICAPS.

The following are the handicaps for the seventh extra meeting to be held on Sunday:

THE OPORTO HANDICAP "A"
CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—Zincen, 149 lbs.; Aristophanes, 158 lbs.; Chow Tze Lon, 155 lbs.; Chenial, 158 lbs.; Little Sit Tang, 152 lbs.; Warlordship, 149 lbs.; Warrington, 153 lbs.; Wild Fellow, 158 lbs.; Ma Kau Siac, 171 lbs.; Wuchang, 153 lbs.; Branco, 149 lbs.; Macao Beauty, 155 lbs.; Tarzan, 140 lbs.; Mowpli, 140 lbs.; Ullawater, 148 lbs.

THE OPORTO HANDICAP "B"
CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—Sunning, 158 lbs.; Duke of Nieblung, 151 lbs.; Man-of-War, 147 lbs.; Fair Eyes, 144 lbs.; Sutherland, 150 lbs.; May, 155 lbs.; Festive Eve, 156 lbs.; Ben Hur, 153 lbs.; Ester Hay, 145 lbs.; Veloz, 150 lbs.; Ching Hoi, 158 lbs.; Silver Mine (late Cherry Brandy), 141 lbs.; Glenmerin, 147 lbs.; Fir Dec, 144 lbs.; Westlake (late Artistic Hall), 150 lbs.; Gold Mine (late Miah Miah), 155 lbs.; Valour, 140 lbs.

THE OPORTO HANDICAP "C"
CLASS: SIX FURLONGS.—Waichow, 152 lbs.; Grey Eyes, 160 lbs.; Scooter, 152 lbs.; Solar Day, 140 lbs.; Little Darling, 140 lbs.; Six Hundred, 161 lbs.; Lucky Star, 147 lbs.; Copper Mine (late Green Island), 150 lbs.; Diana, 153 lbs.; Galopin, 140 lbs.; Pitchfork, 145 lbs.; Tap Sit, 150 lbs.; Sugar Loaf, 140 lbs.; Multomah II, 140 lbs.; Circe, 140 lbs.; Red Leaves, 151 lbs.; Harlene, 160 lbs.; Siang River, 145 lbs.; Little River, 145 lbs.; Fook Shan, 150 lbs.; King Sing, 144 lbs.; Kwong Chow, 143 lbs.

THE LISBOA HANDICAP: 1 1/2 MILES:
Ma Kau Siac, 171 lbs.; Wild Fellow, 158 lbs.; Wuchang, 153 lbs.; Chenial, 158 lbs.; U. U. II, 155 lbs.; Little Sit Tang, 152 lbs.; Warlordship, 149 lbs.; Ullawater, 148 lbs.; Sunning, 142 lbs.; Ching Hoi, 143 lbs.; Veloz, 140 lbs.; Gold Mine (late Miah Miah), 140 lbs.; Glenmerin, 140 lbs.; Silver Mine (late Cherry Brandy), 140 lbs.; Fir Dec, 140 lbs.; Valour, 140 lbs.; Pitchfork, 140 lbs.

GREYHOUND RACING IN SHANGHAI.

"NO CUT-THROAT COMPETITION."

ROOM FOR THE THREE COMPANIES.

SHANGHAI, March 30th.

At the statutory meeting of the Shanghai International Greyhounds, Ltd., the Chairman drew attention to the fact that the whole present issue of 30,000 shares had been taken up and paid for. There were no questions and the statutory report was put to the meeting and passed.

Immediately after the statutory meeting the first general meeting of the company was held. Mr. Welch who again presided, said *inter alia*: "As you are no doubt aware, we are not the only company in Shanghai that is about to embark upon the business of greyhound racing. There are two others. The Greyhound Racing Association of China, with a track at Ward Road, and Le Camp de Courses Francaise, with a prospective course in the southern portion of 'Mr. Harry Morris' garden in the French Concession. Scope For All."

"These courses are geographically so situated that it is probable that a large percentage of the regular attendants at each will be drawn from residents in widely separated districts, so that, with the huge population of Shanghai, there should be ample scope for all."

"In a totally new venture such as greyhound racing is in China many knotty problems are bound to arise, and I would like to take this opportunity of stating publicly that the spirit that dominates your Board, and I am sure I am only echoing your sentiments when I say this, is not one of cut-throat competition but rather one of the most friendly rivalry in the real sporting sense. There are many problems ahead of us, several connected with the psychology of the public that we hope to cater to, and we should each on occasions be able to benefit from the experience of others and thus in time raise the sport to the highest level of efficiency for the amusement of our patrons."

Co-Operation With Other Companies.
"I venture to express the hope that our relations with these other companies will be such as to develop a spirit of co-operation and mutual assistance in overcoming the numerous difficulties that are sure to be encountered from time to time."

HOME FOOTBALL.

RESULTS OF EASTER MONDAY'S MATCHES.

CHELSEA LOSE FURTHER POINTS.

Leadership in the Divisions of the English League was not affected by the results of Easter Monday's fairly full programme; but it was Chelsea's off-day again and Oldham secured the full points.

Three matches were played in the Scottish League, the Rangers taking full points from Dumfries while Celtic lost to the Airdrieonians.

Results as cable by Reuter and amended League tables follow:

ENGLISH LEAGUE.			
Division I.			
Aston Villa 1, West Ham 0.			
Cardiff 2, Arsenal 2.			
Derby 1, Sunderland 0.			
Huddersfield 2, Birmingham 0.			
Leicester 2, Bury 2.			
Manchester U. 2, Bolton 1.			
Portsmouth 4, Sheffield U. 1.			

Division II.			
Clapton O. 0, Notts County 1.			
Fulham 1, Manchester C. 1.			
Notts Forest 1, Barnsley 1.			
Oldham 2, Chelsea 1.			
Reading 2, Preston N.E. 1.			
Southampton 3, West Brom 2.			
Stoke 1, Bristol C. 0.			
Swansea 2, Hull 0.			
Wolves 0, Leeds 0.			
Sh. Shields 0, Port Vale 1.			

Division III. (Southern).			
Bournemouth 1, "Northants" 1.			
Bristol R. 1, Crystal Pk. 1.			
Exeter 2, Millwall 4.			
Newport 2, Coventry 0.			
Norwich 1, Brentford 1.			
Plymouth 2, Charlton 0.			
Queen's P.R. 1, Walsall 1.			
Southend 0, Brighton 1.			
Swindon 0, Gillingham 1.			
Torquay 0, Luton 4.			
Watford 1, Merthyr 1.			

Division III. (Northern).			
Bradford C. 1, Doncaster 0.			
Chesterfield 0, Southport 2.			
Darlington 1, Crewe 2.			
Durham 1, Wrexham 1.			
Hartlepool 0, Accrington 2.			
Nelson 0, Stockport 4.			
New Brighton 2, Wigan 1.			
Rochdale 1, Tranmere 2.			
Rotherham 1, Bradford 0.			

Scottish League.			
Partick 2, Cowdenbath 4.			
Rangers 4, Dunfermline 0.			
Airdrieonians 3, Celtic 1.			

HIGHEST AGGREGATE.			
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Sunderland	36	13	8	14	66	68	35	Dundee	38	13	8	17	62
Blackburn	37	13	8	14	64	68	35	Clyde	38	10	9	17	44
Liverpool	37	12	11	14	90	78	35	Queen's Pk.	39	11	8	19	66
Newcastle	35	12	10	13	75	75	34	Hamilton	39	10	9	18	66
Middlesb'ro	36	10	13	13	72	74	33	Bolton	39	9	7	18	44
Manch. U'n.	37	13	7	17	68	71	33	Bath R.	39	9	10	90	59
Sheff'd U.	39	12	8	18	68	72	32	Dunfermline	39	4	3	29	28
Wednesday	39	8	12	16	67	72	28						

"WHIPPET"

As a result of more economical packing methods, we are able to announce still further price reductions, as from March 19th, 1928.

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MOTORING NOTES

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Motor-Cycling Notes—Frank Lockhart's Car—Correspondence: Touting by Motor-Car Drivers—
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MOTOR NOTES.

THE 1928 CYCLE AND MOTOR CYCLE SHOW.

The British Cycle and Motor Cycle Manufacturers' and Traders' Union, Ltd., have decided that the 1928 Cycle and Motor Cycle Show shall be open at Olympia, London, from November 5th to 10th next—both dates inclusive.

GUARANTEED FOR EVER.

The fact that Brooks cycle saddles are manufactured from the best materials by the country's most skilled craftsmen has enabled J. B. Brooks & Co., Ltd., the famous Birmingham firm, to issue the definite statement that they are guaranteed for ever.

HUNTING BIG GAME WITH SIX-WHEELERS.

When the six-wheeled vehicle first made its appearance much was predicted for it, but few, it is to be conjectured, imagined that in its lighter form it would be applied to the purpose of big game hunting. Rootes, Ltd., the biggest firm of car distributors and exporters in Great Britain, have recently supplied several six-wheeled Morris cars to the Nawab Hamidullah Khan of Bhopal. They are essentially hunting cars, fully equipped with spot-lights, for night work with tigers, readily accessible gun and cartridge cases, and all the necessary impediments for luncheon in places far removed from civilisation.

STUDYING SOUTH AMERICAN CONDITIONS.

Mr. C. B. Nixon, one of the directors of Leyland Motors, Ltd., sailed on February 16th, on the R.M.S. "Alcantara," from Southampton bound for Buenos Aires, Rio and Rosario. Mr. Nixon, whilst visiting South America, will take the opportunity to study the conditions of the country from the point of view of further developments in motor transport.

A GRACEFUL ACT.

In recognition of the part which she played in the recent Singer test at Montlhery track, the Singer Company has just presented Mrs. E. W. Deesley with a Singer Junior Saloon in a particularly attractive colour scheme. It will be remembered that Mrs. Deesley and party drove a Singer Junior, observed by the French Touring Club, round the track for six days and nights and covered, despite appalling weather conditions, a distance of 5,671 miles.

POTATOES IN SCIENCE!

Sometimes one comes up against the problem of determining which is the negative and which is the positive pole of an electrical circuit on a dynamo. We are indebted to *The On Road* (the official organ of Douglas Motors, Ltd.) for the following tip:—
"An easy solution of this problem is to hold the two wires about an eighth of an inch apart on the surface of a freshly-cut potato; the positive pole will produce a greenish coloured spot on the surface, through acting on the starch contained in the potato."

MOTORS ABSORBING TRAFFIC IN NEW ZEALAND.

Christchurch, N.Z.—The competition of motor vehicles is seriously affecting the New Zealand State Railways, which are losing £1,000,000 yearly, and the Government is taking steps to meet it. Mr. Coates, the Prime Minister, says it is certain that within five years the railways will compete successfully with motors. He declares that the Government is not seeking a complete monopoly, but is aiming at improving the whole railway transport system at very heavy expenditure.

THE ROVER "SIX."

There is a very large demand for the new Rover six-cylinder two-litre car which made its debut at Olympia last autumn. The Coventry factory is working on it day and night, and the cars are coming through in numbers which increase weekly. Nevertheless, all the possible output up to next May has already been booked by agents. Incidentally, the Earl of Cottenham, the well-known racing motorist, has just taken delivery of one of the two-litre Saloons.

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MOTOR-CYCLING NOTES.

[BY "LONGSTROKE"]

The 1928 models exhibited at the recent Olympia Motor-cycle Show are gradually becoming evident in Hong Kong. In addition to the A.J.S. and B.S.A. machines the very latest model to arrive is the Triumph. Messrs. Alex. Ross have just received their first 1928 model of this make. It is the new saddle tank N. de Luxe 4.94 H.P. model. It is on view at the workshop in Chater Road, and those interested in motor-cycling should go, see, and judge its merits for themselves. The model in question sells at the very reasonable price of £91 and includes nearly all the latest features of motor-cycles. It has an extra silencer, foot operated emergency lubrication pump, steering damper, adjustable sports handles and electric lighting. The outstanding feature is perhaps the new coloured tank finished black and with gold lining. More words alone cannot describe this new model adequately and the only way is to "see for yourself."

The A.J.S. machine, for which Messrs. Alex. Ross are also the Agents, is another interesting model. The latest improvement which will at once attract the experienced eye is that of the generous fining of the cylinder and the sturdy appearance of the new machine.

THE "EXCELSIOR."

Another model worth seeing is the new 347 c.c. two-stroke Villiers-Excelsior at the show-room at Sincere's. There is already one of the models on the road, and the writer is very well acquainted with the owner, who persistently maintains that no sane person, whether tourist or speedster, could want anything bigger or faster. I have accompanied the owner on quite a number of occasions for tours around the New Territories and I am quite convinced that the words of the owner are right. The machine at first was estimated to cover 90 odd miles on a gallon, but by the time the bike had been completely run-in, and with a few adjustments to the carburettor the mileage has increased to 130 m.p.g. As regards steering qualities it leaves little to be desired, for the Brampton forks enable the rider to "open up" with full confidence. The machine is at present advertised as 99 m.p.h., and there is no doubt whatsoever of the machine being fully capable of the stated speed.

O.H.V. NORTONS.

Among the new arrivals of machines in the Colony are two O.H.V. Nortons. Every reader is fully aware of their performance, and there is really little to say about them which is not already known. One of the owners was seen a few days back to change gear with his foot, which although it is not common in Hong Kong, is the usual practice of all Norton riders at home. The riding position of the Nortons is proclaimed as the very best. One of these models has the only "George Dance Knee Grips" attached to its tank in the Colony, and the rider looks very snug with his knees comfortably seated against them.

THE SMALL CAR AGAIN.

One of the most severe reliability trials held in Australia during recent years has just been conducted by the Melbourne Herald in conjunction with the Victorian Light Car Club. One of the features was the performance of four owner-driven Morris-Cowleys, which came through the gruelling without loss of points.

This success coming on top of the wonderful Cowley performance in the Victorian Light Car Club's reliability and petrol consumption test in which seven Cowleys secured full points, is further proof of the amazing reliability and stamina of these small cars.

NIGHT MOTOR CYCLE TRIALS.

In England motor cycle reliability trials are often run through the night, and residents along the routes have begun to complain of the noise. *The Motor Cycle* suggests that organisers should avoid towns as much as possible, and let stopping places, where most of the noise is made, be in the depths of the country.

FRANK LOCKHART'S CAR.

AN INGENUOUS FITTING.

FAMOUS MILLER FOR BROOKLANDS?

Some interesting details of the car of the famous American motorist, Mr. Frank Lockhart, are given in the *Autocar*. It will be remembered that in an attempt to beat Malcolm Campbell's record Mr. Lockhart met with an accident, which, according to all laws of probability, should have been a fatal one. However, Mr. Lockhart escaped and it is understood he is to compete against his old rival in one of the forthcoming continental races.

Mr. Lockhart's "Stutz" car was very much smaller than Campbell's and resembled a Torpedo. Incidentally, Lockhart had a rather ingenious method of testing his engine, for he has designed and built a curious little dynamometer which can be set on top of the gear box after the lid of the latter has been removed, and is then geared to one of the shafts coupled to the engine. With this in position the engine can be run up to its limit and a reading obtained which shows whether the latest alteration gives the results that are expected. Rumour says that a Miller car, and possibly one of the front-wheel-drive chassis, is coming over to England, having been ordered by a driver in this country, and if the Miller gears are really made to suit European work, and the springs are altered afterwards to suit Brompton concrete, this addition to the cars at the track will be more than usually welcome.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TOUTING BY MOTOR-CAR DRIVERS.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—May I bring to the attention of the traffic authorities the deplorable conditions prevailing now in the touting of motor cars around by the entrance of the Star Ferry, Lee House Street and Des Voeux Road? It is almost impossible in the evenings to pass out from the ferry as these cars completely block the entrance.

I suggest that the traffic authorities spend an hour or so in the evenings and see the danger of these touting motor cars. Another favourite spot is in front of the King Edward Hotel, making it almost impossible to board a tram in the evenings.

Thanking you, Sir, for the use of your valuable space, I am, etc.,
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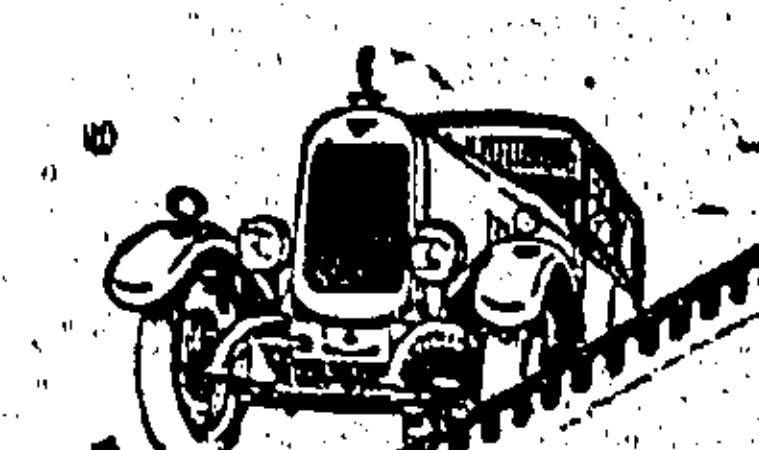
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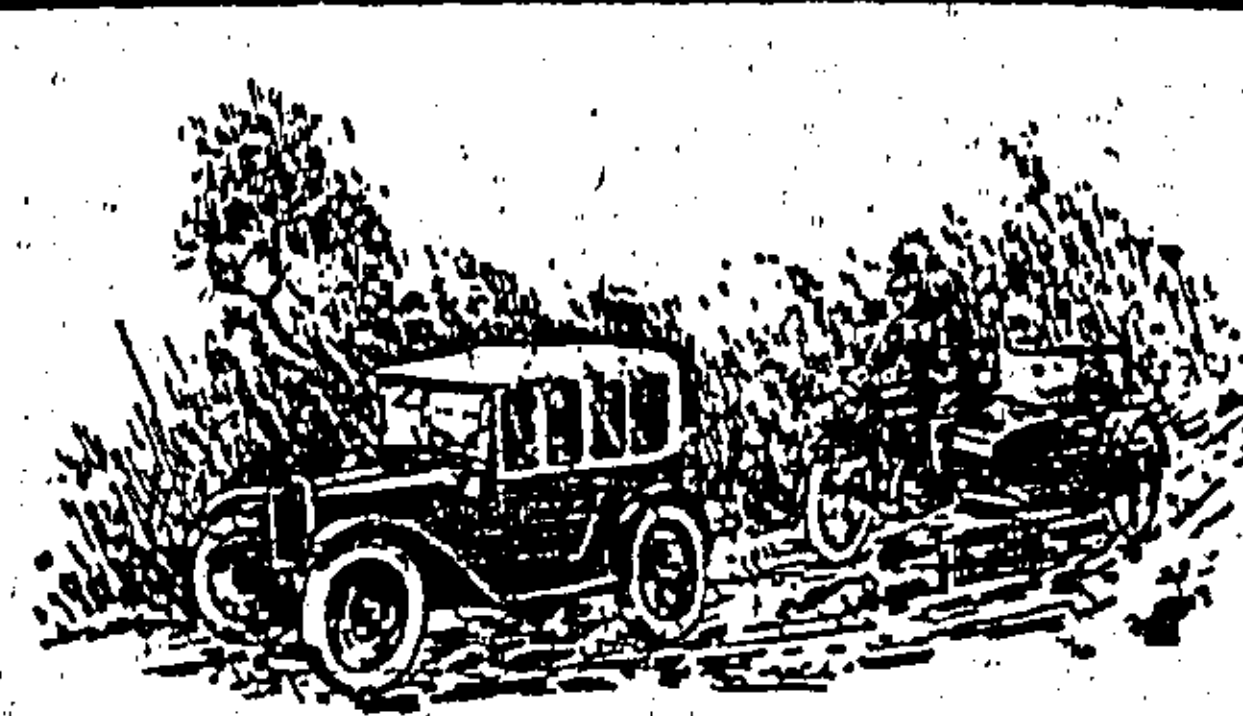
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MOTORING NOTES (CONTD.)

"MOTORING AFLOT" IN BRITAIN.

PLEASANT ALTERNATIVE TO ROADS.

It is probable that the enormous increase in road traffic last year, especially at week-ends, assisted in popularising what has been called "Motoring Afloat," for to the average road user there is a great deal of strain involved in driving on roads that are often very congested. On the other hand, the waterways of Britain afford freedom from most of the discomforts and dangers of the highway and have, in addition, a charm of their own with possibilities of sport and health-giving relaxation.

The manufacturer too, is doing his share nobly and it is possible to obtain to-day a highly efficient boat at a very moderate cost. Actually, the range of prices is almost as varied as the craft themselves and the question of initial expense is very largely governed by the individual taste of the purchaser, for there are boats to suit the means of the "man in the street," and, at the other end of the scale, boats which are the last word in luxury.

What The Manufacturers Are Doing.

The trend of design in marine motors points to a greater simplification in external appearance with cleaner lines and fewer outside fittings. In the Alfa Craig range of engines for 1928, for instance, special attention has been paid to the production of waterproof units. Two examples of this tendency are the little 4-cylinder 7-12 h.p. "Silent-Seven," with its sparking plugs and ignition leads enclosed under a cover then can be instantly removed by undoing a single hand nut, and the firm's very latest model, the new 40-60 h.p. 4-cylinder engine in which the flywheel, too, is enclosed and the magneto thoroughly protected from flying spray and heavy seas.

Recently published statistics giving the annual outputs during 1927

(Continued on next column).

FOR THOSE ON HOME LEAVE.

A RE-PURCHASE MOTOR SCHEME.

For the benefit of those going home on leave Shaw & Kilburn, Ltd., have an excellent scheme whereby visitors can determine within narrow limits the actual cost of owning a car while on leave. At the time of purchase a fixed price is guaranteed at which the car will be bought back at the end of a stated period. Thus, anxiety as to the main outlay is eliminated. Further, by frequent inspection of the vehicle at the service department in Wardour Street, London, running expenses are kept down to the lowest level, for the car is always in tune.

That there is a very real demand for a re-purchase scheme is borne out by the experience of Rootes, Ltd., who are the largest distributors and exporters of cars in Britain. Many hundreds of cars have been supplied to home-coming motorists for periods ranging from one month to over a year and business has come from almost every country in the world.

Rootes, by the way, have supplied a Hillman car to Sir Percy Loraine, the British Minister at Athens. Greece is not famed for good roads but the Hillman has an enviable reputation for thorough reliability under the worst possible conditions.

of the principal British manufacturers of marine motors reveal the total Thornycroft output for the past year as about 18,300 h.p., which is nearly 80 per cent. in excess of the next largest total output of other makes published. An increasingly large proportion of these engines are for overseas, particularly the "Handybilly" 7-9 h.p. model.

Commencing with this smallest unit the works at Reading are now producing a range of types up to the 12-cylinder 375 h.p. type constructed expressly for high speed coastal motor boats such as those recently built by Thornycroft for the Dutch Navy.

THE ROMANCE OF HEAVY HAULAGE.

LOADS OF 100 TONS.

Who amongst us, says *The Commercial Motor*, has not observed with amazement and, sometimes, with a feeling almost akin to awe, some huge, and often exceedingly heavy, article being transported by road; such loads, for instance, as boilers, electric transformers and built-up girders, and has not wondered how even human ingenuity has been able to overcome the many difficulties which must of necessity occur in the handling of such cumbersome articles. Some may be so tall as to render necessary the avoidance of all except the highest bridges, others may be of a length which would appear to render the negotiation of corners alone a matter of the utmost difficulty.

Consider the transference of a 98-ft. girder from railway trucks to road trucks, its transport through the streets of London and its unloading on to the site of one of London's latest buildings. A feat like this was carried out only a few weeks ago, and with remarkable smoothness.

Single loads of 100 tons or more may have to be dealt with, yet these are handled expeditiously and, generally, with safety.

It says much for the strength of our modern roads that they are able to stand up to such loads without excessive damage; in fact, in most instances, with no damage at all. This, however, is partly due to the care taken in the design of suitable conveyances by which the load is spread over a large number of wheels and distributed as evenly as possible over a big area of the road surface. This not only prevents the crushing of such surfaces, but avoids damage to the road foundations.

This is one of the fields of activity in which the steam-propelled machine proves its real value and its wonderful reserve of power. Use is, of course, made of petrol tractors, but mainly for the haulage of loads which, whilst being great in comparison with what may be termed usual practice, do not approach such weights as that mentioned.

ACCIDENT TO A PRINCESS.

£1,250 DAMAGES FOR INJURIES.

FRACTURED SKULL.

Nathalie Timoth Princess Troubetskoy, a Russian, of Buckshill Bottom House, King's Langley, sued for damages in the King's Bench Division, before Mr. Justice Talbot and a common jury, for injuries received by being knocked down by a motor-car at the junction of Denman-street and Shaftesbury-avenue, W., on May 20th, 1926.

The defendants were Mr. Jack Robens, an actor, of Navarino-mansions, Dalston, N., the driver of the car, and Thorp, Son and Company, of Upper St. Martin's-lane, London, the owners, who denied liability. [The company were later dismissed from the action.] Mr. Robens alleged further that the princess contributed to the accident by crossing the road in front of the car.

Miss Dorothy Williams, living with the princess, who was with her at the time of the accident, and was knocked down and injured, also claimed damages.

The jury awarded the princess £1,250 and Miss Williams £100, and judgment was entered in their favour, with costs.

Exiled.

Mr. Fox Andrews, for Princess Troubetskoy, and Miss Williams, said that the princess was terribly injured, receiving a fracture of the skull from which she would never fully recover. She was forced to leave Russia during the troublous days there, and had been living in England for several years, earning her livelihood by secretarial and journalistic work.

He contended that Thorp, Son and Company were guilty of negligence because they failed to exercise care in letting out the car to Mr. Robens, who was an incompetent and unskilled driver.

Princess Troubetskoy, in evidence, stated that she had no recollection of the accident on account of the

injuries she received. Her husband was in Denikin's army, but she had not heard of him since 1918.

She added that during the war she was on active service with the Russian and British Armies. From 1919 she was secretary of the Russian Relief Fund under the British Red Cross Society, and held this position for three and a half years. She was later employed in connection with the "Encyclopedia Britannica."

"No Case."

Mr. Samuel, for Thorp, Son and Company, submitted that there was no case against his clients, who had been made defendants on the ground that they were negligent in letting out a car to an incompetent driver.

Mr. Justice Talbot upheld the objection and dismissed the company from the action with costs, remarking that the plaintiffs had produced no authority which went any way near such a proposition.

This contention against the company was a novelty and an experiment. He was afraid that if the experiment were successful it must succeed before some more exalted tribunal, and his own opinion was that that tribunal must be the Legislature.

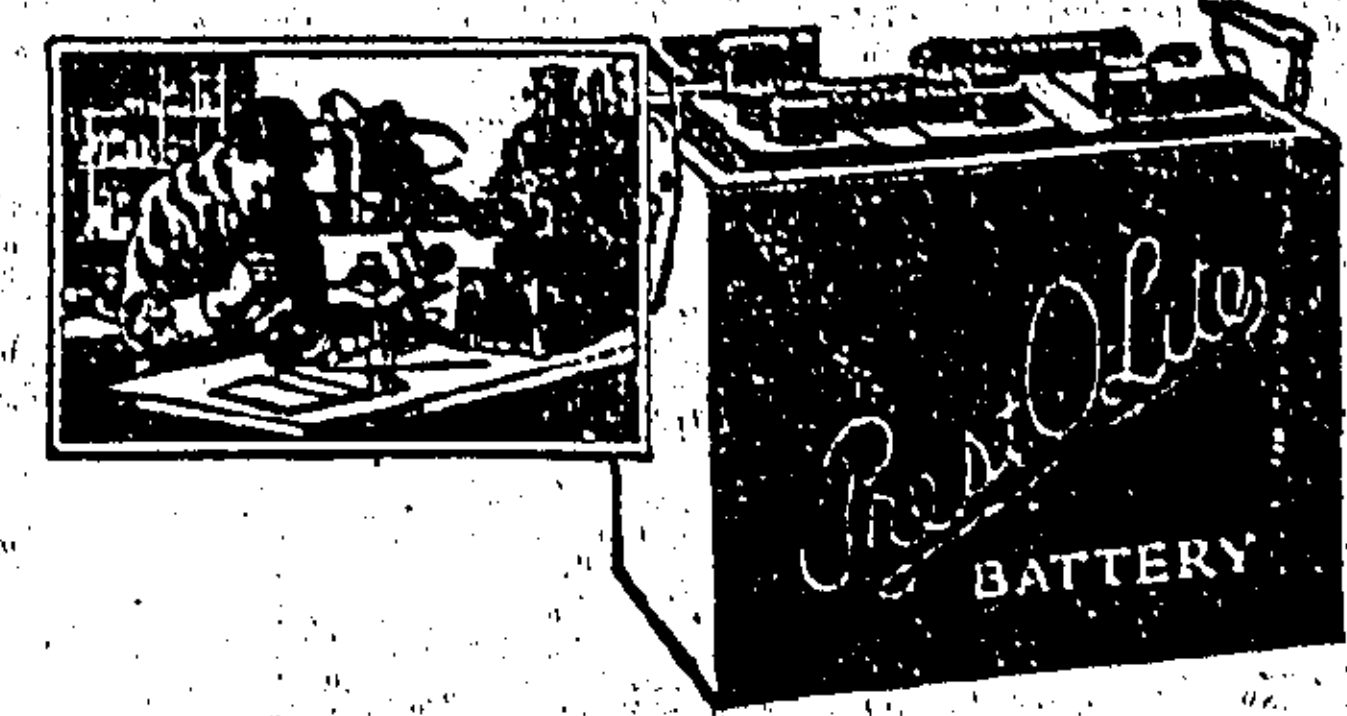
He thought that there was no evidence of incompetence as was suggested, as distinguished from ordinary negligence on the part of the driver.

Mr. D. Cairns, for Mr. Robens, submitted that there was no evidence of neglect on his part, and that the women were a contributing cause of the accident.

TELLING FIGURES.

The experiences of actual owners of cars are always interesting and instructive. British cars are, of course, renowned for longevity and reliability, but, even so, a recent letter received by Armstrong Siddeley Motors, Ltd., appears worthy of reproduction:—

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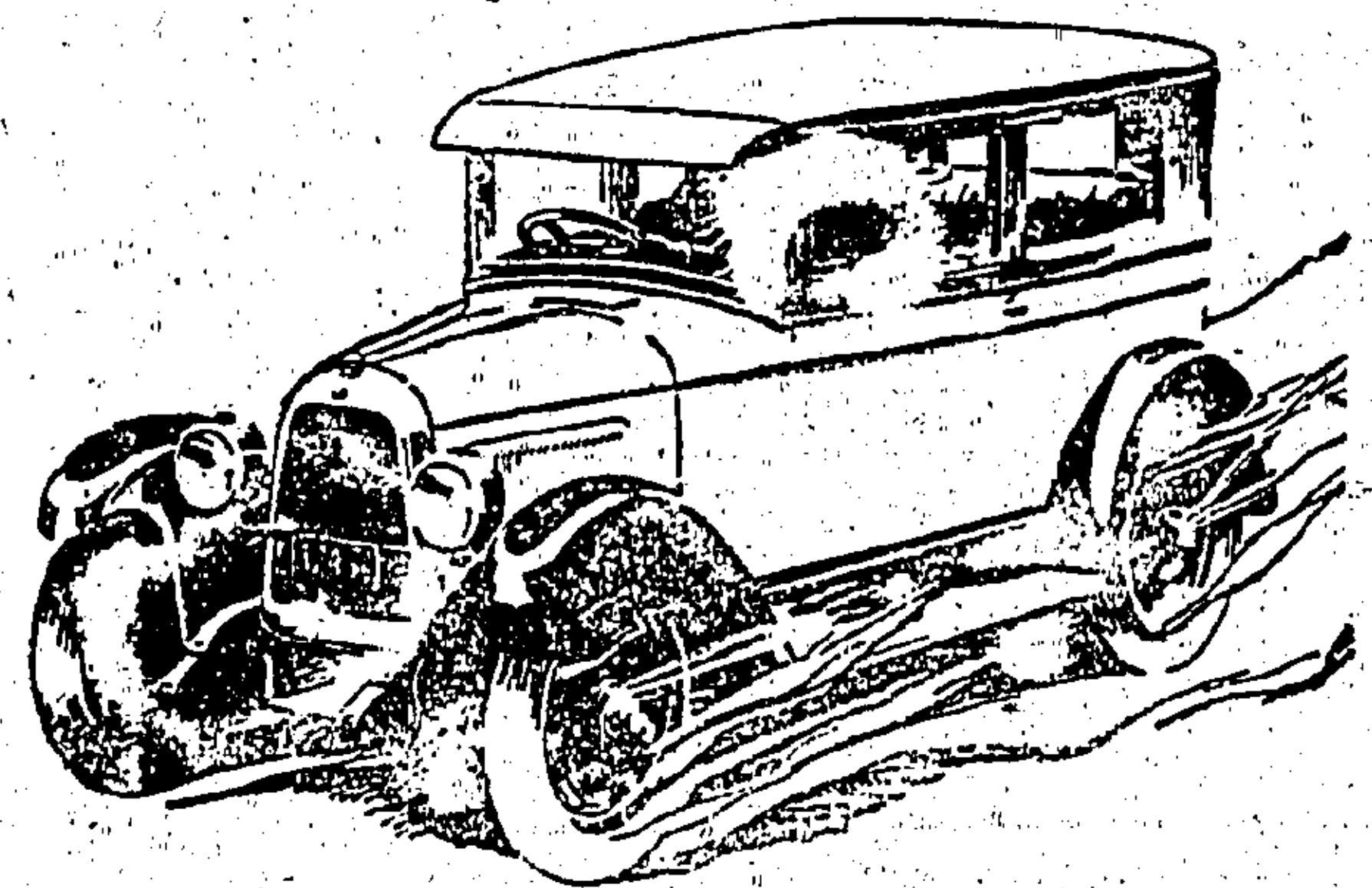
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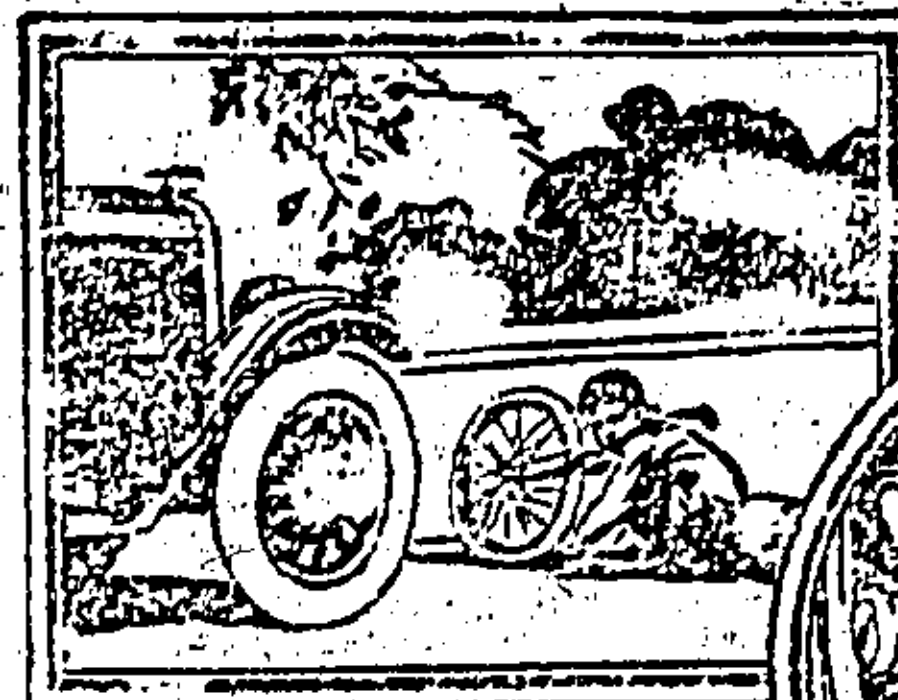
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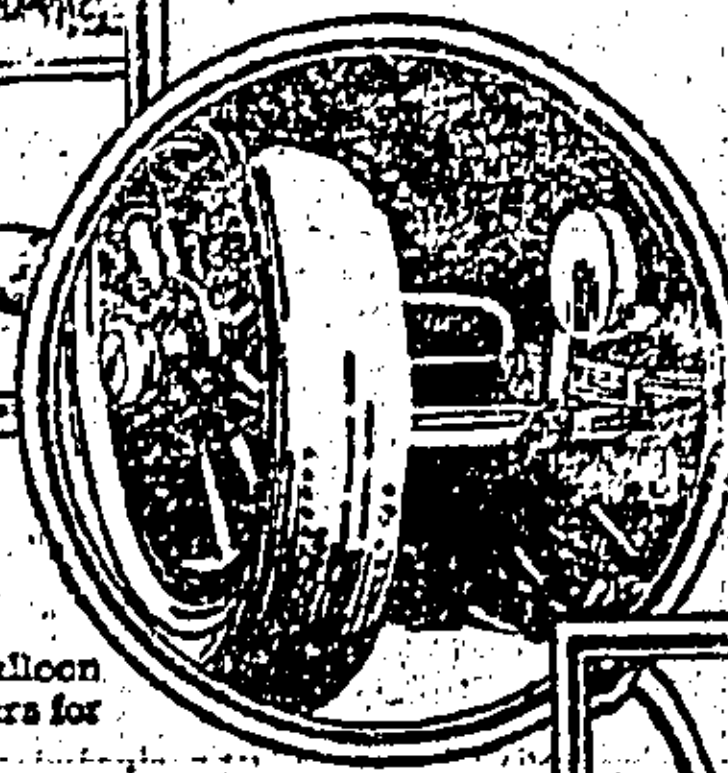
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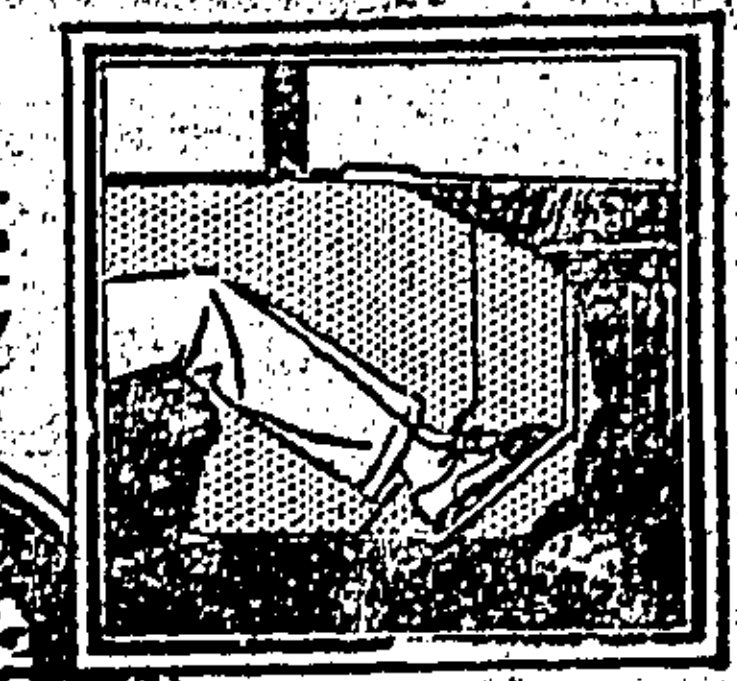


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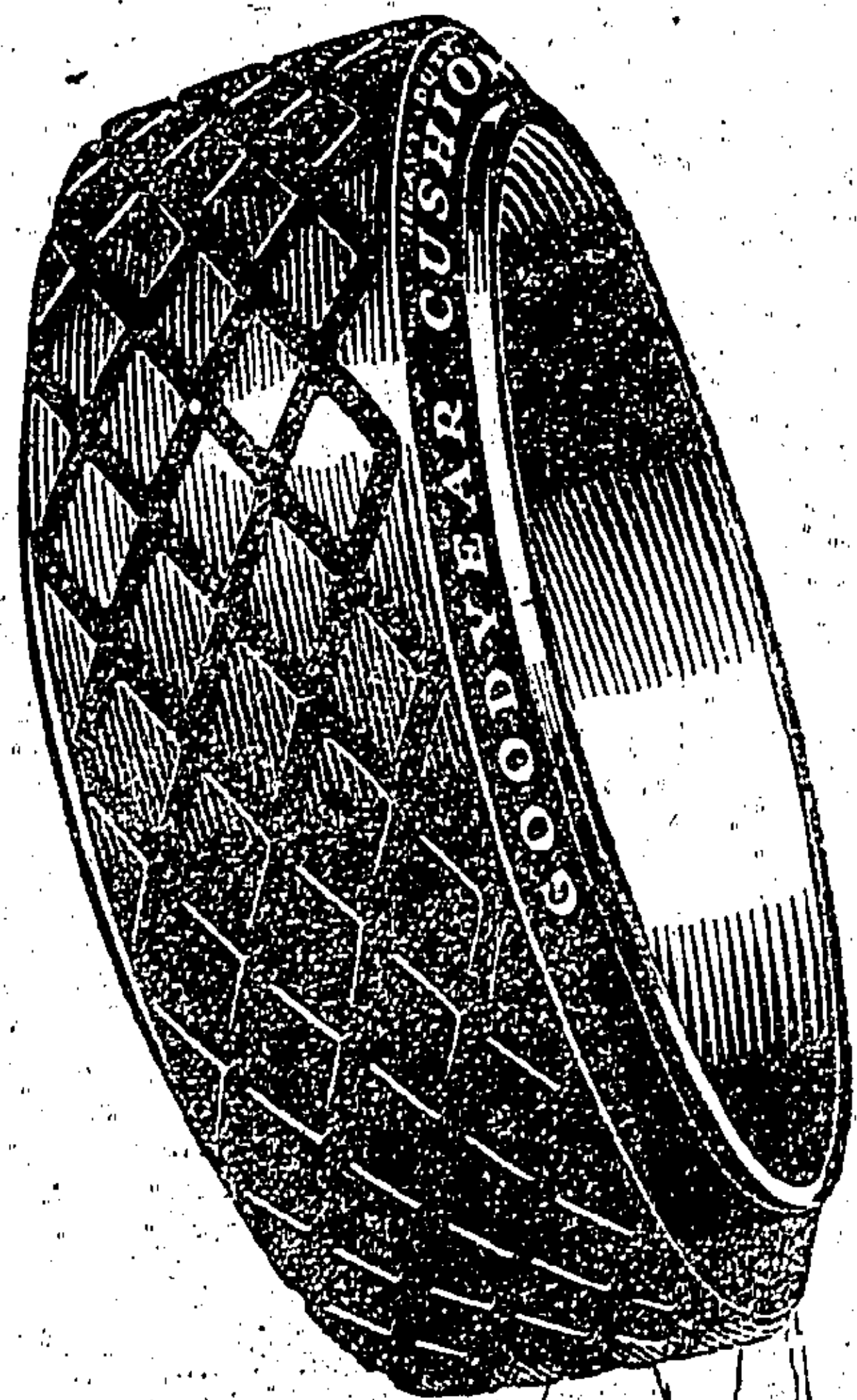
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AMERICA'S HUGE DESTROYER AND SUBMARINE STRENGTH.

The annual record of the Fleets of the world has been presented to Parliament by the First Lord of the Admiralty, and is published in the form of a Blue-book. It contains accurate and up-to-date information regarding the fleets of the British Empire, United States, Japan, France, Italy, Germany, and the Soviet Union.

The particulars, which are corrected up to as late as February 1st of this year, deal with all vessels afloat and under construction, including battleships, battle-cruisers, cruisers, cruiser-mine-layers, armoured coast defence vessels and monitors, aircraft carriers, flotilla leaders, destroyers, torpedo-boats, submarines, sloops, coastal motor boats, gunboats, despatch vessels, river gunboats, and minesweepers.

A close analysis of these returns yields interesting statistical information on the disposition of the world's navies. The first outstanding fact is that there is not a single battleship or battle-cruiser under construction at present in the whole world.

The world total of battleships afloat is 67, distributed as follows: United States, 18; British Empire, 16; Japan, 6; France, 9; Italy, 5; Russia, 5; and Germany, 8. There are only eight battle-cruisers in the world—four British and four Japanese.

The number of cruisers afloat on February 1st was 159, of which the British Empire claimed 49, the United States 32, Japan 35, France 16, Italy 15, Russia 6, and Germany 8.

There were 44 cruisers being built, as follows:—British Empire 13, United States 6, Japan 6, France 6, Italy 6, Russia 2, Germany 3.

U.S. Destroyer Supremacy.

The American supremacy in the destroyer class, as shown by the official figures, is overwhelming. The United States destroyer fleet being nearly as great as those of the whole combined.

The world total of destroyers is given as 778, of which the United States possess 309, Britain 150, Japan 114, France 45, Italy 64, Russia 77, and Germany 17.

The number of destroyers being built is very small. There are 54 in France leading with 19, Japan 12, Germany 12, Britain 12, Italy 12, and Russia 12. America is building no more destroyers at present.

The submarine figures are perhaps the most interesting. Of the world total of 354, the Americans account for 121, the British number 55, Japan 65, France 44, Italy 45, Russia 24, Germany has no submarines.

An examination of the submarine construction now being carried out gives some astonishing results. Britain is building 12, America 3, Japan 12, Italy 12, and Russia 12. Germany none. France, however, has no fewer than 48 submarines on the slips at present. When the present French and British submarine programmes are completed, France will have 90 submarines to Britain's 67.

Italy, curiously enough, leads the world in the number of coastal motor boats and minesweepers. A grand total of 167 motor boats, Italy possesses 132, while she has 48 minesweepers, against Britain's 31.

Projected Programmes.

In the section of the return dealing with the projected building programmes of the Great Powers, there are no battleships or battle-cruisers contained in the world programmes for the next two or three years. No fewer than 22 of these will be laid down by the United States, while Britain projects only five. Japan intends to lay down two more cruisers in 1931, France one this year, and Italy two this year.

Britain has 18 destroyers in her projected programme, America 12, and Japan 13. In the future submarine programmes, America leads with 32, with Britain second with 12, France projects 8, and Japan 4, but the Italian programme has not been disclosed.

It is interesting to note that no reliable information was obtainable regarding the Soviet building programme. It was found, however, that the work on Russian ships was proceeding very slowly, and had in some cases to be abandoned.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

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To-morrow... Sunrise... Sunset...
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THE RED ARMY OF TODAY.

CONTRAST WITH TEN
YEARS AGO.

MILITARISM COMING INTO
ITS OWN.

[BY ARTHUR RANSOME.]

The parade of the Moscow Garrison in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the formation of the Red Army was more than an ordinary parade. It had to take away the taste of the spoils celebrations of last November when the holiday feeling was marred by tension and Opposition demonstrations, resulting sometimes in fatalities. There was nothing of the sort at this parade; even the extreme cold could not suppress the general jollity, as if the Opposition had been a gang of Cassandras, Jeremiahs, and spoilsports now happily eliminated. I wondered how many of the spectators looked back, as I did, to those old drillings in this square and, above it, in the open space behind the Kremlin walls, now gay with scarlet flags, when after the first negotiations, Trotsky flung building a new army to prevent the necessity of Russia having to sign any more of such treaties came, and the Moscow bookshops scoured for books on military technique. I saw once again the patrol fires at the street corners, the Red Guards slung all over with ribbons of cartridges and the nucleus of the Red Army that was to be, in little groups of workmen marching to and fro in the snow and learning how to hold a rifle.

A Sea Of Dangling Soldiers.
Now, ten years later, I looked down from the stand close by Lenin's mausoleum on an enormous, orderly sea of soldiers dancing to keep their feet warm. The clock in the square stood to attention. Bands played the International, and from the Spassky Gate came a small group of the Revolutionary Military Council—Unshchicht, whose shoulders are rounding a little with the years; Budeniy, with moustaches bristling cheerfully as ever; Tukhachevsky, rather more like Napoleon than he used to be, and the others. They came to the mausoleum, went in, and coming out on the roof, stood at the corner of it.

There was silence. Then by some ingenious arrangement of microphones and loudspeakers a giant voice, inconspicuously but perhaps originally Verbitskiy's sounded as if high in the air above the crowd. The short speech ended. There followed the roar of many thousand voices, the massed bands fairly let themselves go, and above all was the hollow thunder of the saluting guns, firing battery by battery.

Then came the orderly march past of infantry, each company letting loose a roar as it passed the saluting point. Then the cavalry passed at a gallop, yelling. Then the artillery, three guns abreast, going as hard as they could go.

The Factory Troops And The Riflemen.

But this impressive parade of the Regular Army had not lost all touch with those hungry, desperate ragamuffins who drilled here ten years ago. The regular troops were followed by armed workers from the factories by companies. Red Cross working women, and one company of sturdy young women who carried rifles with the rest. The women alone did not shout as they passed the saluting point, but were instead themselves greeted with cheers. Last of all came demonstrators from each district carrying their flags.

I remembered that other winter day four years ago when all Moscow marched in mourning past Lenin's bier on the high platform in the midst beside which stood the old leaders now disgraced. To-day the sun shone clear. Aeroplanes glittered overhead, and as I made my way back to write this telegram all the streets were loud with the marching songs of the returning demonstrators.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following were the warships in port yesterday:
North Wall, Basin, Verity, Wilharm, Bruce, Moorhen, South Wall Basin, Cornflower, Somme, East Wall Basin, Moth, L21, L23, Vesuvius, North Arm, Sordar, Titania, S/Ms. West Wall Dock, Hawkins, In Dock, Poet Chaucer, Delgo, Kowloon Dock, Hermes, No. 1 Buoy, Japanese, Fusu; No. 2 Buoy, 4 Japanese Destroyers; No. 3 Buoy, 4 Japanese Destroyers; No. 4 Buoy, 4 Japanese Destroyers; No. 5 Buoy, Concord; No. 7 Buoy, 4 Japanese Destroyers; No. 8 Buoy, Japanese, Tenryu; No. 9 Buoy, Petersfield; No. 10 Buoy, Herald; No. 11 Buoy, Witherington; No. 12 Buoy, Iroquois; No. 13 Buoy, Marston; Cicula; No. 14 Buoy, Ruthenia; No. 20 Buoy, Foxglove; No. 22 Buoy, Fort (lost off); No. 23 Buoy, Kharik; No. 24 Buoy, Cicula (after exchange ratings); No. 25 Buoy, Seamen; No. 26 Buoy, Jetty, Serapis; Kowloon Anchorage, Franco; No. A19 Buoy, Japanese, Teurumi.
Foreign Men of War:—U.S.S. Pampanag; French, Argus; Portuguese, Peto De Alenquer, Patria; Japanese, Nagato, Mutsu, Fusu, Tenryu, Teurumi, 10 Destroyers.

JAPAN'S BIG DESTROYERS.

ONE OF 1,700 TONS RECENTLY
LAUNCHED.

There was recently launched at the Mairuru works for the Japanese Navy a destroyer which, it is claimed, is the largest vessel of this designation in the world. Officially known as "No. 35," her displacement is given as 1,700 tons and her length as 300 feet. Her speed is estimated at 34 knots. Although classified as a destroyer, the probability is that she is designed to act as a flotilla leader. Still the Japanese favour very big destroyers, presumably on the assumption that these would have to go long distances in the event of war. The fact is the definition of the destroyer has become a little confusing nowadays. In our own Service vessels of this category have increased in size by three-fold during the past quarter of a century, whilst the introduction of the leader has added a new type of unit to the class. The destroyer made her appearance in response to the growth of the torpedo boat, which she was intended to chase and destroy whilst herself being equipped to carry out the functions for which the smaller craft was intended. In those days the torpedo was a weapon with a range of less than 1,000 yards, and used only by torpedo boats or steam pinnaces fitted with dropping gear.

Overlapping of Functions.
Now that the cruiser, with a speed equal to that of the destroyer, is actually fitted with more torpedo tubes than the destroyer, it would appear as though there was an overlapping of functions. The flotilla leader, indeed, is a virtually a light cruiser and, owing to her high speed, is well adapted to scouting duties. The vastly-increased range of the torpedo naturally has influenced the whole question of the submarine tactics. The advent of the submarine brought a new task to the destroyer—that of protecting big ships against underwater attack. Her growth is directly attributable to the necessity for her presence with the battle fleet, and the additional tonnage is devoted more to increased fuel endurance than to anything else. In the British Navy an average displacement of rather under 1,000 tons for the destroyer and somewhere about 1,800 tons for the flotilla leader seems to have become the settled standard. The ocean-going destroyer does not appear to appeal to the British Admiralty, probably for the reason that the light cruiser really fills this function, and that an ocean-going destroyer to fulfil its designation would have to be as big as a light cruiser in any case. For attacking purposes in a fleet action the smaller the destroyer the better, so long as she retains the maximum of speed—*Naval and Military Record.*

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* (Captain S. Robinson, C.B.E., R.N.R.), will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama at noon on Wednesday, April 18th.

The P. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Kashgar* left Singapore for Hong Kong on the 9th inst. at 6 a.m., with the outward English mails, and is due here on Friday, the 13th inst., at about 3 p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. *Bennachin*, from Middlesbrough, Antwerp, London and Straits, is due to arrive here on Friday, the 13th inst.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 10th.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	1 p.m.
Barometer...	29.92	29.91	29.87
Temperature...	79.9	70	81
Humidity...	63	89	69
Wind...			
Direction...	E	Calms	W
Force...	3	0	2
Weather...	B	OM	B
Rain...	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 78°; 80°
Lowest open-air Temperature, 70°; 69°

B=Blue sky; O=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 11th to 17th, 1928.

	High Water	Low Water
Date	Time	Time
Wed. 11	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.
Thur. 12	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.
Fri. 13	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.
Sat. 14	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.
Sun. 15	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.
Mon. 16	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.
Tues. 17	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.	h. m. a.m. h. m. a.m.



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All Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th of April, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godown for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ash, at 10 a.m. on the 13th of April, 1928.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown and all Claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.

Consignees are requested to surrender their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Counter-signature.

MELOHRES & CO., Agents.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN, Hong Kong, 10th Apr. 1928. [612]

HAMBURG AMERIKA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamer "ADOLF VON BAER" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 17th April, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on 16th April, 1928, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before the 1st May, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

JEBSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, 10th Apr. 1928. [613]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous Godowns at Kowloon, where Delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 12th April, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on 11th April, 1928, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

All Claims must reach us before 25th April, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

JEBSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, 5th Apr. 1928. [610]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES per Co.'s Steamer "PATROULUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 7th April.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 13th April, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 27th April, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

9th April, 1928. [6116]

"GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND STRAITS.

THE M.V. "GLENARA"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, Delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 16th April 1928, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on 14th April, 1928, at 10 a.m. Claims against the steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hong Kong, 9th Apr. 1928. [6114]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHANGHAI	... "HANYANG" ...	On 11th Apr.	6 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "TAMING" ...	On 12th Apr.	Noon
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	... "SUNNING" ...	On 14th Apr.	Noon
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & SHANGHAI	... "YANG" ...	On 14th Apr.	9 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "ANHUI" ...	On 15th Apr.	10 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "NEWORIENT" ...	On 15th Apr.	Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	... "SOOCHOW" ...	On 15th Apr.	6 p.m.
SHANGHAI	... "CHINKIANG" ...	On 17th Apr.	Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "LUOHOW" ...	On 18th Apr.	4 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "CHENAN" ...	On 19th Apr.	10 a.m.
WIMBORNE, CHARTER & TIENTSIN	... "KUEICHOW" ...	On 20th Apr.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	... "SHANTUNG" ...	On 21st Apr.	6 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "KALGAN" ...	On 22nd Apr.	Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "HUICHOW" ...	On 23rd Apr.	6 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "KANGHONG" ...	On 24th Apr.	9 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	... "KWANGHONG" ...	On 25th Apr.	Noon

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Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

April 9th.
Sarvistan, British str., 4,815 tons, Capt. J. B. Smith, from Amoy, lying at buoy No. 330—H. M. H. Nemaze.
Tak Hing, Chinese str., 100 tons, Capt. Lo Sau, from Autau, with a general cargo, lying at Luen Cheong Wharf.—Fook Hoi S.S. Co.
April 10th.
Adolf von Bayer, German str., 3,420 tons, Capt. R. Hohlfeld, from Hamburg, which port she left on February 18th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jensen & Co.
Alaska Maru, Japanese str., 4,553 tons, Capt. S. Machihara, from Kobe and Shanghai. The latter port she left on April 6th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 48—O.S.K.
Chak Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. E. V. Bishop, from Canton, lying at buoy No. 332—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Empress of Canada, British str., 12,811 tons, Capt. R. Robinson, from Vancouver, which port she left on March 17th, with 550 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—C.P.R.
Hai Ching, British str., 1,207 tons, Capt. O. H. Farrar, from Fochow, Amoy and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.
Halder, Norwegian str., 840 tons, Capt. J. Hansen, from Bangkok, which port she left on April 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C42.—Thorosen & Co.
Hannan, British str., 1,205 tons, Capt. D. L. Shinn, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C15—B. & S.
Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,803 tons, Capt. T. Yasukawa, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39—N.Y.K.
Morioka Maru, Japanese str., 3,068 tons, Capt. S. Nakashima, from Singapore, which port she left on April 4th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Messageries.
Nisai Maru, Japanese str., 2,031 tons, Capt. H. Mori, from Bangkok, which port she left on April 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B48.—Y. Sato Co.
Paul Leont, French str., 7,546 tons, Capt. Grillon, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 8th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Messageries.
President Pierce, American str., 8,393 tons, Capt. Henry Nelson, from Los Angeles via Shanghai. The former port she left on March 12th, with 1,500 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.
Shinai Maru, Japanese str., 2,811 tons, Capt. Y. Hasebe, from Karatsu and Sakito, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B51.—Y.K.K.
Trier, German str., 3,400 tons, Capt. J. Jachens, from Hamburg, which port she left on February 22nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Melchers & Co.
CLEARANCES.
April 10th.
Adolf von Bayer, for Shanghai.
Alaska Maru, for Singapore.
An Lee, for Fochow.
Cheunging, for Shanni.
Empress of Canada, for Manila.
Hanyang, for Shanghai.
Kanagawa Maru, for Singapore.
April 11th.
Kut Sang, for Singapore.
Lushan Maru, for Swatow.
Malay Maru, for Batu Pahat.
Morioka Maru, for Moji.
Paul Leont, for Saigon.
President Pierce, for Manila.
Salsan, for Tarakan.
Tai Fook Sing, for Saigon.
Tai Fook Sing, for Swatow.
Tribot, for Swatow.
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Trier, for Takao.
West Sequana, for San Francisco.

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 Per s.s. *Empress of Canada*, from Vancouver, on April 10th:—Miss H. G. Anderson, Mrs. A. Garrod, Mrs. M. S. Pow, Miss M. Pow, Miss L. Pow, Mr. M. K. Amo, Mr. G. E. Ekstrom, Mr. K. Morinshi, Mrs. Morinshi, Mr. Elton Pedley, Mr. P. H. Tiedeman, M. R. Gock, Mr. W. G. Bell, Mr. B. T. B. Boothby, Mr. M. Bryson, Dr. H. G. Barrie, Mr. C. G. Little, Mrs. I. McMurdo, Mr. W. J. F. Mallagh, Mr. L. Sjostedt, Mr. C. S. Speyer, Mr. C. A. Stibel, Mr. C. A. S. Williams and Mrs. Williams.
 Per s.s. *Trier*, from Hamburg and ports, on April 10th:—For Hong Kong: Miss Lydia Boring, Miss Helen M. Fogg, Mr. Carl J. Endert, Mr. Ernest M. Gieby, Mr. August Fress, Mr. E. Arend and wife, Mr. Josef Heger, Mr. Adolf Kotzing, Mrs. Anna Landmann, Sister C. Magist, Sister C. Marazzi, Sister Gott, Sautira, Sister C. Catarina, Macca, Sister C. Catarina, Mr. Chung So Fui, Mrs. C. B. Fockler, Mr. James M. Williams, Mr. H. W. Northey, Mr. C. C. Bell, Miss Myrtle Lee, Miss Gladys Lee, Mr. V. G. Alberto and fam. and 3 servants, Mrs. Maria Trinidad, Mrs. Fyorence Pearson.
 Per s.s. *President Pierce*, for Hong Kong:—Mr. Max Basker, Miss Jenkin-Bell, Mr. E. J. Carmichael, Mrs. V. N. Dorval, Mr. D. L. Moss, Mr. J. Smith, Mr. B. E. Solomon, Mrs. B. E. Solomon, Mr. S. N. Terrace, Mr. L. A. Whitaker, For Manila:—Mrs. K. B. Bragg, U.S.N., Mrs. K. B. Bragg, Miss Marian Bragg, Master John Bragg, Mr. C. W. Cumming, Lt.-Comdr. L. L. Davis, U.S.N., Mrs. L. L. Davis, Miss Phyllis Davis, Master Harry Davis, Miss Dorothy Dowell, Dr. F. R. Duncan, Mr. J. Fernandez y Rionda, Lt. S. L. Garcia, P.C., Mr. and Mrs. G. Grisham, Master George Grisham, Mr. Paul Harvey, Mr. Keith Koons, Lt.-Comdr. S. M. Mathes, U.S.N., Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Moeich, Mrs. Jenny Muniz, Master Francis Muniz, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McElhinney, Miss Agnes Pardo, Mr. Frank Dickelsky, Mr. G. M. Shaw, Mr. D. M. Shaw, Master David Shaw, Lt. T. S. Thorne, U.S.N., Mrs. T. S. Thorne, Mr. J. C. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Williamson, Master John Williamson.

Departures.

Per s.s. *Paul Leont*, on April 10th, for Marseilles via ports:—Mr. F. A. Perry, Mr. G. M. Hemsworth, Mr. F. P. Ashe, Mr. R. L. L. Vesser, Mr. J. Ickedjian, Mr. and Mme. A. Kirtson, Miss M. McGingla, Miss F. V. Pearson, Mr. C. P. Marcel, Mr. E. Pachis, Mr. E. le Carduner, Mrs. P. Leynaud, Mr. and Mme. G. Cuvillier, Mr. H. Henry, Mr. A. de Castro, Mrs. Miss E. G. Flagg, Miss E. H. Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. White, Mr. C. de Loyaga and child, Mrs. J. de Silos, Mr. W. A. Thorpe, Rev. F. A. J. de Pablo, Rev. F. A. N. Arribas, Rev. F. N. Arribas, Rev. Sister A. Corona, Mr. H. O. Bethell, Miss M. Newcomb, Mr. and Mrs. F. de la Rosa, Mr. A. E. Alder, Mr. G. V. Unwin, Mr. Pinet, Mr. F. de Damany.
 Per s.s. *President Madison*, for San Francisco, on April 10th:—Mr. C. Harper, Mr. Takuchi Ikeda, Mrs. M. Kane, Master Jesus Lopez, Mr. Enrique Lopez, Miss Carmen Lopez, Mr. Roman Lopez, Mr. Joaquin Lopez, Mr. Seford H. Lydon, Mrs. Dolores Miciano, Rev. Daniel Maravella, Mrs. Calliope Maravella, Mr. Uy Cho Yee, Mr. J. Stryker, Mrs. Marjorie U. Savin, Miss Ida M. Tormey, Miss May T. Tormey, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Seal, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lichaco, Mrs. Pauline Stodter, Mrs. Helen Cooke, Mrs. E. C. Furstenburg, Master Isidoro Furstenburg, Miss Maxine Furstenburg, Mrs. Lillian Grimes Amend, Miss Ellen Mildred Amend, Miss Dorothy Lillian Amend, Lt. B. S. Anderson, Mrs. Nina Anderson, Mr. W. S. Carter, Mr. Geo. H. Calhoun, Mr. A. A. Gibbs, Mr. Hester, Mrs. A. Haynor, Miss Hazel Woods Hackett, Mr. Lewis Wendell Hackett, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Kelly, Miss Alice Adna Kelly, Mrs. Rebecca P. Lydon, Prof. T. F. Morrison, Hon. Chas. Malcolm, Mr. Edward J. Nell, Master Philip E. Nell, Mrs. Helen M. Nell, Master Theodore F. Nell, Lt. W. G. Pogue, Lt. S. S. Purves, Lt. H. B. Temple, Mrs. John Weaver, Master John Lewis Weaver, Hon. Frederick Waller, Lt. Samuel H. White, Mrs. Dorothy Applegate, Miss E. Cunningham, Mr. T. B. Dwyer, Miss Florence Hope Ellis, Mr. Manuel de Gortia, Miss Martha Newcomb, Mrs. W. O. Valentine, Master W. Valentine, Mrs. Emelyn Williams, Mr. Stanley Williams, Jr., Master John Williams, Miss Emelyn Williams, Mr. E. A. Mott, Mr. Y. Kikuchi, Mrs. L. J. Drakeford, Mr. C. P. Loh, Mr. L. Y. Shu, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McCune, Mr. E. S. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilbur, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Baker, Mr. C. H. Benson, Miss Messerauc, Miss Ringelberg, Mr. Edgar Cartwright, Mr. Alfred Jenkin, Mr. H. F. Yung, Mr. R. S. Springer, Mr. H. E. Willock, Mr. Dupre, Mr. Earle Hodgins, Mrs. R. A. Lavender, Miss M. Lavender, Mr. T. Y. Deane, Mr. H. T. S. Green, Mr. W. G. prober, Mrs. G. W. Steele, Mr. S. C. Limby, Mrs. G. H. R. Halland, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coates, Mr. F. T. Susman, Mr. A. Kirkley, Mr. G. H. Whitley, Prof. B. L. Dairns, Mr. A. O. Glass, Mr. G. L. Freeman, Mrs. Bertha Appleton Smith, Miss G. A. Sault, Mrs. Clameck, Mrs. Thelma S. Fertig, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Fertig, Mr. J. A. Hardman, Mrs. Bertha L. Stern, Mrs. R. M. Cohen, Miss F. Fertig, Mr. and Mrs. Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Barnett, Miss Barnett, Mr. Mekirdy, Miss Miriam Ashton, Mr. C. Burns, Mrs. L. C. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Bowden, Mr. B. Whitcutt, Mr. H. S. Rowland.

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OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL MOJI & KOBE	"SUISANG"	Fri. 13th Apr. at 10 a.m.
CANTON	"KWONGSANG"	Wed. 11th Apr. at 9 p.m.
STRAITS & CALOUTTA	"KAMSANG"	Satur. 21st Apr. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	Satur. 28th Apr. at 4 p.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIPSING"	Mon. 16th Apr. at 5 p.m.

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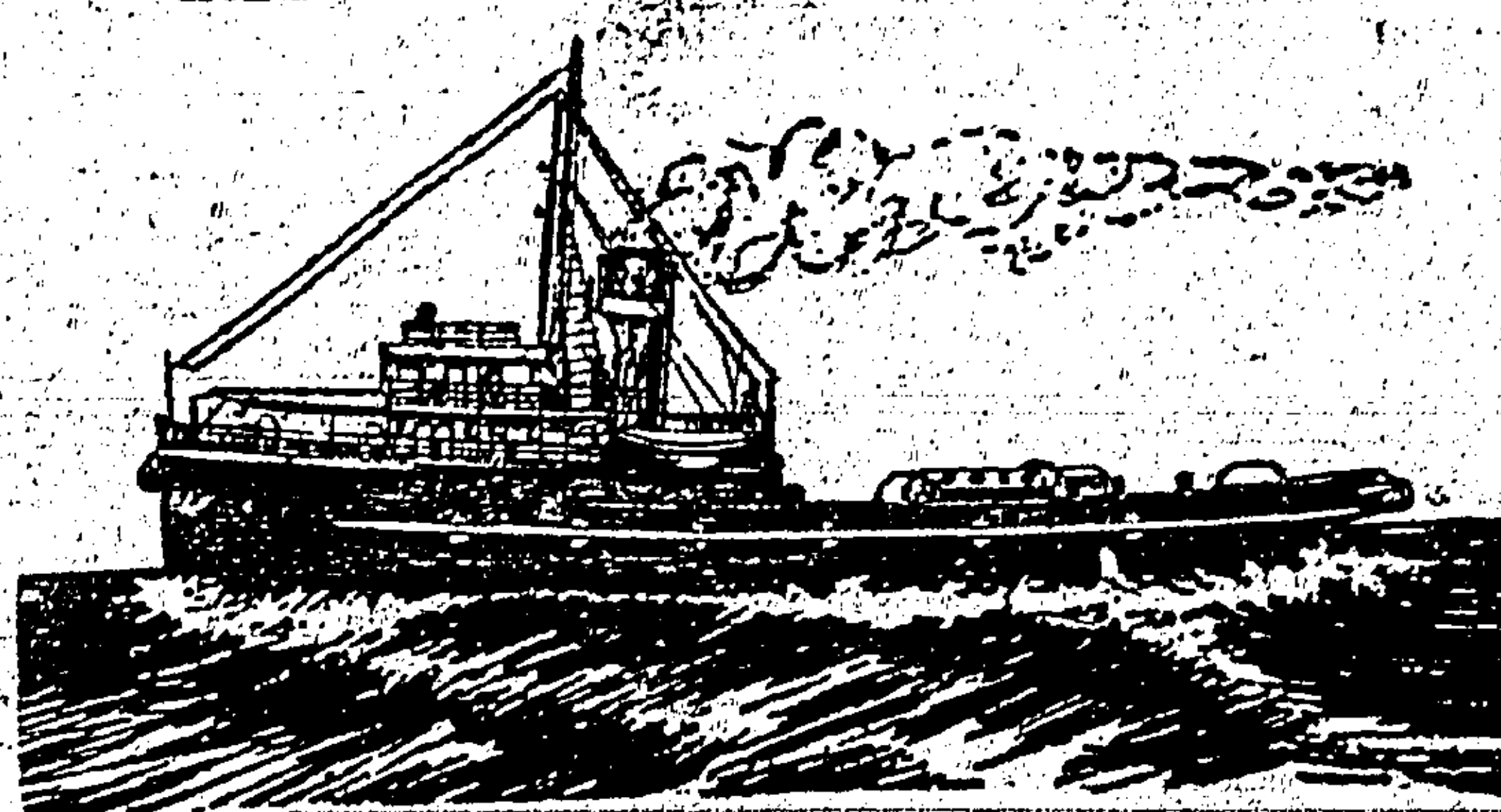
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LIVERPOOL via Singapore, Colombo, Port Said & Ports.
LIMA MARU Saturday, 14th April
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Bangkok.
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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

POOR LOCAL IMPORTS.

THROUGH FREIGHTS NORMAL.

Ten arrivals and thirteen departures were recorded at the Harbour Office for the period ending at 9 a.m. yesterday and general cargoes discharged for this port were very low. Through freights, however, remained normal.

The cargo discharged for Hong Kong amounted to only 8,500 tons, and only one British vessel, the s.s. *Empress of Canada* with 750 tons from Vancouver and Shanghai discharged any freight.

The best carrier was the s.s. *Shinsei Maru* (Japanese) with 4,000 tons of coal from Karatsu and Sakito.

Through freights totalled 18,000 tons, and again the s.s. *Empress of Canada* was the only British vessel with cargo for ports beyond the Colony. She had 905 tons.

The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Alaska Maru* with 5,101 tons from Kobe and Shanghai, and the *Adolf von Bayer* (German) from Hamburg and Singapore, with 4,781 tons.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	3	5
American	1	0
German	2	0
Japanese	2	1
Chinese	2	2
French	0	1
Norwegian	0	1
Total	10	13

VESSELS EXPECTED:

Australian-Oriental Line.

Taiping, May 11th.

Change, June 8th.

Bank Line.

City of Eastbourne, to-day.

City of Carlisle, April 14th.

City of Roubaix, April 14th.

City of Dunkirk, April 17th.

City of Birmingham, May 4th.

City of New Castle, May 12th.

City of Chester, May 27th.

City of Tokio, June 8th.

City of Cardiff, June 22nd.

City of Bedford, June 22nd.

Ben Line.

Benmarchin, April 13th.

British India and Apcar Line.

Hatipara, April 22nd.

Takada, April 22nd.

Talamba, April 30th.

Talpa, May 1st.

Takliwa, May 5th.

Santhia, May 20th.

Tilawa, May 31st.

Canadian Pacific Line.

Empress of Russia, April 28th.

Dodwell & Co.

Toledo, to-morrow.

Remo, April 28th.

Kendal Castle, May 7th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.

Malaya, April 27th.

Siam, June 15th.

Danmark, July 16th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.

Arafura, May 2nd.

Tanda, May 7th.

St. Albans, June 4th.

Blue Funnel Line.

Phenias, to-day.

Protestant, to-morrow.

Agapenor, April 15th.

Laomedon, April 15th.

Sarpedon, April 15th.

Bellerophon, April 20th.

Orestes, April 21st.

Knight Companion, April 22nd.

Diomed, April 26th.

Catagoras, May 1st.

Tullius, May 1st.

Althaea, May 2nd.

Antenor, May 3rd.

Meriones, May 9th.

Patroclus, May 18th.

Adrius, May 21st.

Helenus, May 22nd.

Teucer, May 22nd.

Peuce, May 25th.

Menelaus, May 26th.

Pyrrhus, May 30th.

Hector, May 31st.

Rhesus, June 5th.

Mentor, June 10th.

Dardanus, June 10th.

Dardanus, June 12th.

Onia, June 20th.

Antiochus, June 25th.

Diomed, June 26th.

Aeneas, June 27th.

Thibius, July 2nd.

Elpenor, August 22nd.

Glen Line.

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Glenish, June 8th.

Hamburg-Amerika Linie and

Hugo Blumens Line.

Preussen, April 15th.

Ermland, May 2nd.

Fogland, May 18th.

Albert Wegler, June 9th.

Rhein, June 26th.

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tjikarang, to-morrow.

Tjikarang, April 15th.

Tjikarang, April 16th.

Tjikarang, April 23rd.

Tjikarang, April 26th.

Tjikarang, May 7th.

Tjikarang, May 7th.

Messageries Maritimes.

Chenancour, to-day.

Chenancour, April 24th.

Chenancour, April 24th.

Chenancour, May 8th.

General Metinger, May 22nd.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

Korea Maru, to-day.

Lima Maru, April 13th.

Toba Maru, April 14th.

Hakusan Maru, April 18th.

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DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

THREE DEATHS AMONG DECK PASSENGERS.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

The master of the s.s. *President* Pierce arriving here yesterday from San Francisco and Shanghai reports to the Harbour Authorities that three Chinese steerage passengers died during the voyage. Two of the victims died from tuberculosis while the third man died from sunstroke.

Junk Master Fined.

Lam Shing master of a trading junk appeared before Comdr. J. B. Sewill at the Marine Court yesterday for unlawfully anchoring his trading junk in the Cable Reserve area at Tai Kok Tsui. The accused pleaded guilty and a fine of \$10, or in default of 10 days' hard labour, was imposed.

Coolie Hurt.

The s.s. *Chak Shing* arriving here yesterday from Canton reports that a coolie was hit by an iron beam whilst at work on the ship during her stay in Canton.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

Asiatic deck passengers arriving in the Colony during the period ending at 9 a.m. yesterday numbered 842.

"Taming's" Captain Retiring.

The s.s. *Taming's* is to be undocked from Taikoo at 7 a.m. this morning and will resume service to Swatow and Shanghai at noon to-morrow. Captain Mills, who figured in the recent collision enquiry, is retiring on pension and sails for Home by s.s. *Mongolia* on Saturday.

Another Junk Robbery.

According to a report made by the master of a cargo junk to the Cheung Chau police, his junk was the victim of an armed robbery carried out by four men, in the early hours of yesterday morning. The men succeeded in getting away with \$13. When the robbers boarded the junk, the master and his crew were asleep.

Cargo From Canton.

Owing to the Easter holidays, cargo to and from Canton has been negligible during the past few days. The shipment last night was extremely heavy, comprising many thousands of packages, which were distributed by overnight working. The *Kinsan* arriving yesterday afternoon was also well loaded.

Peninsular and Oriental.

Kashgar, April 13th.
Mongolia, April 14th.
Jeypore, April 18th.
Kidderpore, April 21st.
Nagpore, April 21st.
Malwa, April 23th.
Korea, April 23th.
Alipore, May 2nd.
Lahore, May 7th.
Nagpore, May 7th.
Delta, May 10th.
Nagpore, May 24th.
Nankin, June 4th.
Khyber, June 7th.
Rawalpindi, June 21st.
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Kalyan, August 2nd.

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